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## PROOF! *There Never Was An Iran Case*

There never was an Iran case against the Soviet Union.

The letter presented to the Security Council by Iranian envoy Hussein Ala on Wednesday is completely contradicted by the statement issued the same day in Teheran by the official spokesman for the Iranian Government Prince Mozaffir Firouz.

Prince Firouz's statement, is, on the other hand, in complete agreement with the letter sent to the Security Council Wednesday by Soviet Ambassador Andrei Gromyko.

The statement was carried in only one edition of yesterday's New York Times in a small story on page 2 (see reproduction at right).

Ala said that the negotiations between the USSR and Iran "achieved no positive results." Prince Firouz said that the negotiations resulted in the Soviet declaration of March 24 that Red Army troops would evacuate Iran in five to six weeks.

Ala said that the USSR attached conditions to the withdrawal of troops, namely oil concessions and recognition of autonomy for Azerbaijan. Prince Firouz said that there were no conditions attached to the Soviet withdrawal and that negotiations on other matters (presumably oil and Azerbaijan) were being conducted separately and had "no connection with the question or process of the evacuation."

Following is the text of the official Iranian statement as issued by Prince Firouz, which debunks the whole Iran case:

"Concerning the question of the evacuation of the Soviet forces contained in the memorandum presented in the name of the USSR by the Soviet Ambassador to the Iranian Government on March 24 in regard to whether Soviet forces would evacuate the whole of Persia: under the terms of the memorandum the complete evacuation in the aforesaid period is not subject to any conditions whatsoever.

"Instructions were also given to our representative that the negotiations begun in Moscow beginning in March to bring about a complete settlement of all outstanding questions between Persia and the Soviet Government are being continued in Teheran.

"The Persian Government has not accepted any conditions for complete evacuation and for that reason the negotiations now proceeding between the two countries have no connection with the question or process of the evacuation."

### IRAN INFORMS ALA OF RUSSIAN EXODUS

**Says It Is Unconditional—Continuing Talks Revealed on 'Outstanding Questions'**

By GENE CURRIVAN

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

TEHERAN, Iran, April 3—Ambassador Hussein Ala was instructed today by his Government to inform the Security Council that the Russian evacuation was now proceeding according to plan, absolutely unconditional. It also notified him that negotiations begun at Moscow were now being continued in Teheran but did not concern the evacuation.

This was disclosed today at a press conference given by Prince Mozaffar Firouz, chief of the Communications Department. He declared that Mr. Ala had requested an answer to the questions presented to both the Soviet and Iranian Governments. The answer follows:

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# Dutt Interviews Cripps on India

(This is the first dispatch filed by R. Palme Dutt, famous authority on India, since his arrival in that country to cover developments in the struggle for independence.)

By R. PALME DUTT  
Wireless to the Daily Worker

NEW DELHI, April 2 (delayed).—The British Cabinet mission to India will include the Indian Communist in its consultations with political leaders, Sir Stafford Cripps revealed in a press conference here yesterday.

Cripps is the head of this mission as he was of the 1942 mission. In general, his progress report contained no new features but was evidently intended to allay suspicions, remove the strained search for interpretation of formulas and to maintain a good atmosphere without giving commitment.

## ROPE TO HANG SELVES

He emphasized that the mission had not disclosed what was called their scheme solely because they would not scheme. They would come out, he said, with nothing in their heads—which caused some irreverent laughter.



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It is clear that during the next stage the mission will give the differences of the Indian political representatives the fullest rope without needing as yet to commit the government to a definite policy.

I took the opportunity to put

the following questions to Cripps, which I give with the answers.

Q. If the government wishes the Indian people to determine their own future, will it agree to the only recognized democratic means for this purpose, namely a sovereign constituent assembly based upon universal suffrage?

A. The form of the constitution-making body will be entirely for the Indian people to determine.

Q. How can they if they have no vote?

No answer.

Q. Will negotiations for the future of India be between equal sovereign representatives or between master and servant with the final decision resting in British hands?

A. The Decision of the future of India rests entirely with the Indian people.

Q. Will the settlement include withdrawal of British military forces or will military power remain in British hands whatever degree of formal independence is conceded?

A. It is inconceivable that the military forces of another power



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should occupy an independent country except with that country's consent.

Q. Will the principle of full repayment of sterling balances be recognized as an integral part of the economic and financial settlement which will have to accom-

pany any political settlement?

A. All economic and financial questions will be a matter for negotiations between the free Indian Government and the British Government.

Q. In the event of absence of agreement by the major organizations for a final solution, will the British Government be the final deciding power and will an interim government be set up in any case?

A. We cannot contemplate hypothetical situations.

## WARMING UP

With the arrival of the Congress Party leaders Mohandas K. Gandhi and Sardar Patel to be followed by Jawaharlal Nehru the situation is warming up; important negotiations are now due to begin.

The statement of Mohammed Ali Jinnah, head of the Moslem League, to Norman Cliff of the News Chronicle denying that he regarded himself as an Indian was received with big publicity here and reflects the sharpness of the fight now opening over the question of an interim government.

# Rankin Body Cites 17 Anti-Fascists

WASHINGTON, April 4 (UP).—The House Un-American Activities Committee voted tonight to press contempt charges against 16 executive board members and the executive secretary of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.

The committee's action came after the board members and executive secretary Helen R. Bryan refused to obey a committee subpoena and turn over their financial records to committee investigators.

By ROB F. HALL

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Sixteen progressive Americans saw fascism at work here today. All of them—writers, attorneys, physicians, social workers—members of the Executive Board of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, appeared before the Rankin Un-American Committee in response to subpoenas.

From ten o'clock this morning until late this afternoon, they sat in the crowded little room in the Old House Office Building while the committee called one at a time into an adjoining room where behind closed doors they grilled them in star chamber proceedings.

The Un-American Committee claimed it was attempting to get the records of the relief agency. Actually as Dr. Edward J. Barsky, chairman of the agency pointed out, it was attempting to harass and persecute these individuals in a drive against the basic aims of the JAFRC—aid to the victims of Franco.

This drive against JAFRC, said Barsky, stems from the fascist-minded pro-Franco forces in the U. S.

Rankin's group has issued improper, defamatory and untrue statements against JAFRC without ever hearing a statement from its representatives on its aims and activities. None of the 16 witnesses today were asked what the JAFRC does; the questions all related to how each voted and to their personal opinions on Rankin's demands for JAFRC records.

Barsky pointed out to newsmen that the JAFRC was set up in 1942 to help feed and clothe victims of Franco, mostly families of men who fought with the Spanish Loyalist forces against fascism. They have collected hundreds of thousands of dollars which have been distributed in France through the Unitarian Service Committee. As a result of JAFRC's efforts two hospitals have been set up and a third is being established. Much of the relief funds are spent for children, he said.

All of this information, including lists of contributors and the names of agencies through which the funds are expended, is filed regularly with the President's War Control Board, Barsky pointed out. JAFRC is officially licensed by the President's Board to carry on this activity.

We have the highest respect for

## Thurman Arnold, Abe Fortas To Defend Anti-Fascist Aid Group

Special to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Abe Fortas, former Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and Thurman Arnold, former Assistant U. S. Attorney General, have been retained to defend Dr. Edward J. Barsky, chairman of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, and its 16 board members against citation for contempt by the Rankin Un-American Committee, it was announced here today. The two attorneys were retained by Benedict Wolfe, counsel for the Relief Committee, and Vincent Sheehan, chairman of a newly formed Citizens Committee to safeguard JAFRC.

the Congress of the U.S.," said Barsky, "but we cannot put into the hands of this committee names of people with relatives in Spain. It would be like turning them over to Franco's firing squads."

Barsky was cited for contempt of Congress last Thursday by a vote of 339 to 4 after his name had been submitted by the Rankin Committee. The 16 who were subpoenaed to appear today are:

Prof. Lyman R. Bradley, NYU; Dr. Jacob Auslander, Mrs. Marjorie Chodorov, Howard Fast, Mrs. Ernestine G. Fleischman, Leverett Gleason, publisher of Reader's Scope, Harry M. Justiz, Mrs. Louise Kamsley, Mrs. Ruth Leider, James Lustig, UE-CIO, Manuel Magana, Dr. Louis Miller, Herman Shumlin, producer, Mrs. Charlotte Stern, Dr. Jesse Tolmach, Mrs. Bobbie Weinstein, John McManus of PM had been included in Rankin's list but evidently, through an oversight, he was not subpoenaed nor cited.

## Brazil Accepts New U. S. Ambassador

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 4 (UP).—Brazil has accepted William D. Pawley as U. S. Ambassador to Brazil, Foreign Minister Joao Neves da Fontoura announced today.

Pawley, now Ambassador to Peru, will replace Adolf A. Berle Jr., who resigned a few weeks ago.

## Vets to Picket Rankin Group

A sub-committee of the Un-American Wood-Rankin Committee will get a picket line welcome from vets, labor and religious groups, when it meets Monday, April 8, at 10 a.m., in the Federal Court House, Foley Square.

The picket line, called by the Veterans Against Discrimination, will call for the abolition of the committee and demand "an investigation of the investigators." It was announced last night by Lawrence Rivkin, chairman of VAD.

Among the organizations participating in the action are the New York Junior Hasassah; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York County; the Protestant Citizens Committee of the Upper West Side; the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League; Veterans and Wives; Fur, Floor and Shipping Clerks Union, CIO and other organizations.

## CIO Wins 18¢ Boost At 2 Pa. Shipyards

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—CIO Shipbuilders have won an 18 cent an hour increase at the two largest Delaware River shipyards, New York Ship at Camden, and Sun Ship at Chester. The wage boosts are retroactive to December, 1945.

# Gouzenko a Crook, Soviets Declare

OTTAWA, April 4 (UP).—The Soviet Union today denounced as a thief Igor Gouzenko who turned against his country while serving as cipher clerk in its embassy here.

His "statements are completely fictitious and deserve no credit," it said. It made no mention of the secret documents which Gouzenko said he smuggled from the military attaché's office and turned over to the Canadian government, nor of the fact that under generally accepted views, the Soviet Union must consider him a traitor.

The statement said he had "stolen money from the embassy and is indictable for the committed crime in case of his return to the USSR."

As a result of Gouzenko's statements, a Royal Canadian commission has been investigating an alleged spy ring for weeks and 13 Canadians await trial on charges of violating the official secrets act.

The Soviet Embassy statement follows:

"Recently there have been published in the Canadian newspapers and broadcasted over the radio all kinds of information in which attempts have been made to cast a shadow upon and to discredit some of the diplomatic members of the Soviet Embassy in Canada, as for example Messrs. V. G. Pavlov, I. I. Krotov, and others. The sources of this slanderous information are the false statements of the former employee of the Embassy, Gouzenko, who had stolen money from the Embassy and who is indictable for

the committed crime in case of his return to the USSR.

"The Soviet Embassy deems it its duty to declare that the slanderous statements of the criminal as well as the reports in the Canadian newspapers based on those statements regarding the mentioned members of the Soviet Embassy in Canada are completely fictitious and deserve no credit."

## Detroit Strikers Vote to Stay Out

DETROIT, April 4 (UP).—Striking public transit workers today rejected international union pleas that they return to work and said they would remain out until their demands are met by the city.

Announcement that the strike would continue came at the end of a two-hour mass meeting at which Robert Armstrong, international organizer for the AFL Amalgamated Assn. of Street, Railway and Motor Coach Operators, pleaded with the strikers to return to their jobs and agree to arbitration.

The plea was booed and Jack Storey, president of the AFL union's division 26, said the workers had decided to remain on strike.

# CITY AVC TO SEND DELEGATES TO WIN-PEACE PARLEY TODAY

The New York Area Council of the American Veterans Committee, representing 75 chapters and over 5,000 veterans, has voted to send a delegate to the Win the Peace Conference, sponsored by 19 members of Congress, which convenes in Washington tonight.

At its last meeting, the Council decided to send Howard Zinn, chairman of its Williamsburg chapter in Brooklyn, to the Conference.

Called by Rep. Adolph J. Sabath, of Illinois, the Conference is dedicated to militant support of Franklin D. Roosevelt's foreign policies, and will meet for three days to draft a program for the prevention of World War III.



# U. N. Shelves Iran 'Case' Till May 6

## Sen. Pepper Flays U. S., Britain for Gangup on USSR

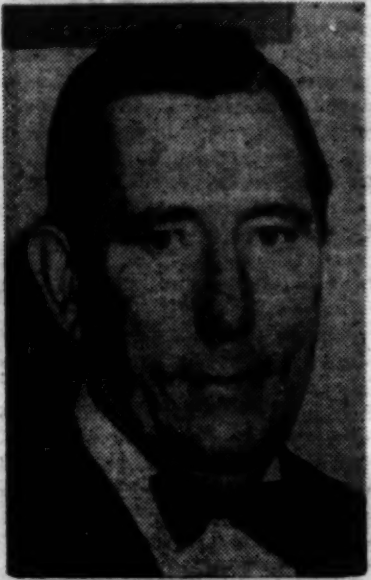
WASHINGTON, April 4 (UP).—Sen. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.), unleashed a violent attack on "British imperialism" today and charged over the angry objections of his fellow-Senators that the United States and Britain were gangup on Soviet Russia.

His speech threw the Senate into a furious free-for-all debate on foreign affairs, in which his Democratic colleagues tried vainly to shout him down.

Waving his arms impassioned and striding up and down the aisles as he spoke, Pepper lambasted the British for their "international sham and hypocrisy." He accused their troops of outrages against native populations in the Middle East, and invited them to "get out" of Transjordan if they want the Red Army to quit Iran.

Democratic Senators Carl A. Hatch of New Mexico and J. William Fulbright of Arkansas challenged Pepper's statements again and again.

The Floridian exploded his charges after Chairman Tom Connally, (D-Tex.), of the Foreign Affairs Committee and a U. S. dele-



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gate to the UN, had commended the USSR's agreement to call her troops from Iran as "a triumph of the principles of the United Nations Charter." He said the agreement proved the strength of the Security Council and augured well for its future.

### ATTACKS BRITAIN

Pepper leaped to his feet the moment Connally sat down and launched into a diatribe against Britain's actions in Trans-Jordan, the former British mandate which has been offered independence.

"If the British want the Russian troops out of Iran," he shouted, "let them get their troops out of Iraq and Palestine and Trans-Jordan."

He added bitterly that Britain's mandate over Palestine "should have been repealed a long time ago."

Of the Trans-Jordan agreement he complained heatedly that Britain had imposed harsh terms under which the little country's foreign policies would be dictated from London.

Pepper, who returned recently from a personal mission to Moscow, accused the United States government of following Britain in an anti-Soviet policy and of becoming entangled in a "Siamese twins fraternal association" with the British.

"I know," he cried out, "that anyone in this country, or in this Congress, who raises his voice in favor of Russia is a 'Communist.'"

"Well, we'll let history judge that."

### OPPOSES U. S. IMPERIALISM

Pepper declared emphatically that he would not support pending American security legislation if

these conditions remained uncorrected.

"I'm not going to vote for selective service; I'm not going to vote for war appropriations if those things are going to be used to maintain the rotten status quo that exists in the world today," he said.

"It's easy to gang up on the Russians. It was easy for us to gang up on them in the days when they were fighting their own czars, and it's been easy for us to gang up on them ever since."

That brought Hatch to his feet with an objection.

"Does the Senator say," he demanded, "that we ganged up on Russia during the war?"

"No," Pepper shouted back, "but there's always a barrage of propaganda put up by people who hate their system. I believe that Communism and capitalism can live together in the world."

"You pick up every paper and you find four to five articles attacking Russia," he went on. "Too many times a veritable barrage of propaganda grows out of minor events, sometimes from a sinister propaganda and sometimes from fear."

"No, we didn't gang up on Russia during the war, but the Senator knows that many people hoped that Hitler would destroy them so that

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By FREDERICK V. FIELD

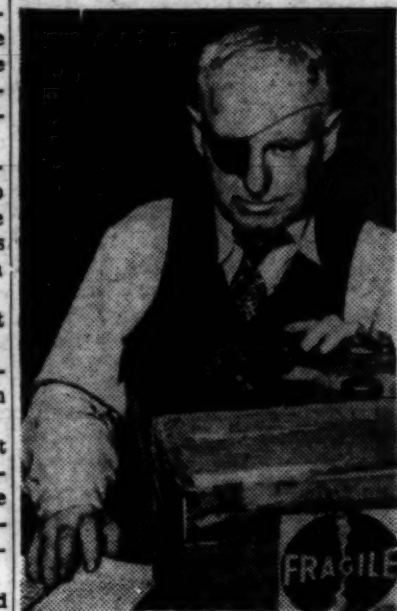
The United Nations Security Council voted yesterday to defer further consideration of the Iranian issue until May 6, the date on which Soviet troops are expected to have completed evacuation of Iran. The Council's vote was 9 to 0, with Australia abstaining and the USSR absent, and came on a resolution introduced by the United States through Secretary of State Byrnes.

The Council in effect accepted the Soviet Union's assurances that its troops are quitting Iran, and that this Soviet-Iranian understanding is not connected with any other negotiations for oil concessions or autonomy for Azerbaijan. These assurances, accepted yesterday, are similar to those offered the Council on March 26 by Andrei A. Gromyko, the Soviet delegate, and rejected then by Byrnes and his British colleague, Sir Alexander Cadogan.

### Foster Speaks Tonight At Bronx Party Rally

A mass recruiting meeting at the Bronx Winter Garden, Tremont and Washington Avenues, tonight will hear a talk by William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party.

Bronx Communist Clubs, mobilizing to do their share in the party's drive to recruit 20,000 new members by June 1, expect to sign up several hundred at tonight's meeting. The session, supported by all community and industrial clubs in the county, will begin at 8:30 p.m.



**OPERATION BY ACCIDENT:** While chopping wood 32 years ago, Pete Bird of Shelbyville, Ky., lost the sight of his right eye when it was struck by a splinter. Last week, Bird was chopping wood when another splinter struck the blind eye. He is shown at work with a patch over the affected eye until it becomes accustomed to light.

Yesterday's resolution, however, is not a clear-cut settlement of the Iran issue, since the Council retains the case on its agenda, and may reopen discussion of it even before May 6. A hint that some such action might take place was contained in the remarks of the Col. Hodgson, of Australia, who told the Council he regretted its lack of what he called forthright investigation of the "dispute."

### LANGE EXPOSES MOVE

Before the Council took a formal vote, President Quo, of China, solemnly called on delegate to express his views. With the exception of Dr. Oscar Lange, of Poland, all responded with fulsome rhetoric acclaiming Byrnes' statesmanship.

While endorsing the resolution, Lange bluntly pointed out that the occasion for it need never have arisen, if the Council had taken the trouble to ascertain the facts of the Iran case in the beginning, that is ten days ago. Lange declared, "there were moments and days when the people of the world must have wondered with anxiety" whether the Council was fulfilling its mandate to preserve peace. He suggested "that we always proceed with the fullest information from the very beginning. This will insure that we shall in all stages of our discussion be acting in full understanding between all members of the Council, as well as in full light and openness before the people of the world."

In diplomatic language he was referring to the 10 days between March 26 and yesterday which was used by the American-British bloc to whip a hysterical and baseless anti-Soviet campaign. In this Byrnes and Cadogan were aided by the delegates from the Netherlands, China, France, Egypt, Mexico and Brazil.

### AIMS OF IMPERIALISTS

Only the Polish delegate, stood firmly with the Soviet Union against this unprincipled Anglo-American maneuver. Col. Hodgson took a middle position bucking both the imperialist bloc and the Soviet Union thus making of himself a nuisance to Byrnes and Cadogan.

but without exposing the motives of their procedure.

On March 27, in reporting the opening of this campaign of hysteria, the Daily Worker pointed out that had the imperialist bloc genuinely wanted to resolve the Iranian matter in the interests of world security they would have accepted the proposal of Lange.

His motion requested that information as to the facts of the case be sought from both the Soviet Union and Iran either by the Security Council itself or by the individual governments represented at the Council table. The Council could then decide whether or not the matter of Iran deserved a place on the agenda of the present session.

In this way a decision could have been reached by a method which, on the one hand, did not prejudice the issue by placing it upon the agenda for either procedural or substantive discussion, and, on the other hand, did not remove the subject of Iran from the list of pending matters which the Council might or might not take into consideration.

### Council to Meet Tues.

The United Nations Security Council will meet again on Tuesday at 3 p.m. at Hunter College Bronx Center, when it is expected that it will discuss the report of its Committee of Experts on rules and procedure. The report, according to Council President Quo, has been completed, and will be circulated before Tuesday among the delegates for study.

The Daily Worker's interpretation has been completely validated by the course of events.

The imperialist bloc on March 26 categorically refused to consider the Polish motion. It chose instead to invite Hussein Ala, the reactionary Iranian propagandist, to use the Council meeting as a forum from which to spread throughout the world his vicious anti-democratic line.

Knowing in advance, because Ambassador Gromyko had issued a warning, that if the Iranian representative was brought to the Council table the Soviet delegate would be obliged to withdraw, Byrnes deliberately precipitated the crisis.

Nothing happened between March 26 and yesterday to affect the Iran problem except the deterioration in the relations among those powers on which world peace depends. The assurances contained in Ambassador Gromyko's letter of April 3 and upon which Byrnes based his resolution yesterday were officially before the Council on March 26.

### REPETITION WORSENE

Evacuation of Soviet troops from Iran which is proceeding rapidly today had already begun on March 24. The official Soviet word that

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## Counterteit Greek Government Formed; Royalists Plot Coup

The Greek Royalists are going ahead with plans for a coup to restore the monarchy in Greece with full British support, United Press reports from Athens revealed yesterday. Despite an official admission by the government that 51 percent of the total registered

"majority" Populist (Royalist) Party.

Poulitsas announced immediately his cabinet would "study" the plebiscite question and then ask parliament to hold a national vote on the monarchy. British broadcast said parliament is scheduled to meet April 29.

Royalists hold all key posts in the new cabinet.

### ALLIED DILEMMA

Allied observers were reported figuring out ways of explaining the election-without-voters. One report said that the observers were going to take the number of people who did not go to the polls under the Metaxas dictatorship and subtract this number from the number who boycotted Sunday's poll at the call of EAM.

This might bring the boycott percentage down to a mere 40 percent—still far more than the Royalist vote. Then the observers plan to reduce the government's figure on

abstention by another 10 or 15 percent.

The EAM has declared that it will not recognize the results of this election and it has demanded that new, honest elections be held. It has stated that it will meet any attempted Royalist coup with all methods of struggle short of revolt.

Two leaders of the EAM will address a mass meeting on the fake elections in Greece at Manhattan Center Thursday evening, April 25. The two are Nicos Carvounis, EAM press chief, and Prof. George Georgalas, Socialist member of the EAM Central Committee. The meeting will be sponsored by the Greek-American Council.

ROXBURY, Mass., April 4.—A mass meeting here Sunday, April 14, at 3 p.m. will be addressed by Prof. Georgalas and Carvounis, the local Greek-American Council announced today. The meeting will be at the Hotel Bradford.



# Truman-Snyder 'Boom' Augurs Bust

## Output Report Nice, but Laws of Crisis Still Work

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The sixth quarterly report of Director John W. Snyder, of War Mobilization and Reconversion was treated by President Truman as an election campaign document. In releasing it for the press, he told newsmen proudly that it should be read by everyone—"particularly

... by every skeptic who thinks that this country is in bad shape and is not doing a remarkable job in changing over from war to peace."

Actually the picture presented by the 56 pages of the report is impressive. Total civilian production stands at the highest level ever reached in war or peace; an annual rate of more than \$150 billion. Non-agricultural employment is higher now than before VJ-day, reaching 44,700,000 in February.

And although production has increased, pent-up demand is so great that it cannot be satisfied now and for many items, not even by the end of the year.

### OLD-FASHIONED BOOM

There is no question but that the Snyder report is an effective campaign document and that the President was right, from his own point of view, in urging a wide circulation for it. But for Marxists who approach the document seriously, who study the wealth of material which it contains, the conclusions will not be the same as Mr. Truman's.

It is clear that the U. S. is undergoing an old fashioned boom. It is not clear how long this boom will last. What should be obvious, however, is that the germ which will multiply and bring about its collapse is present. It is even identified, if rather summarily, in the report.

This is the policy of putting limits on purchasing power while encouraging profits, which is the basic Truman-Snyder plan. It is the heart of the wage-price formula adopted in February. And it is the Achilles heel, the vulnerable spot, in the capitalist system.

For as this process continues, purchasing power declines and demand for the products of our farms and factories diminishes. The boom

busts and we start down the tobogan road towards depression and crisis. The greater and more prolonged the boom, the speedier and deeper the descent.

The report itself reveals that wages have not risen as rapidly as prices. Throughout the war, Snyder said, both wages and prices moved slowly upward under strict government control.

"It is a fundamental fact, however, that wage rates (emphasis Snyder's) did not advance during the war as rapidly as did prices. This was due essentially to the operation of the Government Wage Stabilization program.

"The WLB permitted relatively few upward revisions in general wage rates. Instead, it encouraged necessary adjustments in war time earnings of workers through incentive payments, shift premiums, overtime pay, and war time upgrading. As a result of these adjustments wage earners' income, in contrast to wage rates, went up more than did prices."

### WAR PHENOMENA

But these were "wartime phenomena" which ended with VJ-day, Snyder says.

Since that day, and particularly since Feb. 14, when the new wage-freezing formula took effect, wage raises have been kept below "pattern standard" of about 18 percent. This has not been sufficient to maintain the take-home pay of the wage earners, Snyder admits, and speaks of lower total income for individuals and their families (lower level of consumer income, he calls it) in the first quarter.

Purchases by business enterprises increased after last Christmas, Snyder says. Consumer purchases declined. He predicts that during the coming quarter total consumer income "will be no higher than the first quarter level and probably slightly below."

This is not a sound basis for a continuing boom. The situation is even less reassuring when one examines prices. Every increase in prices is a reduction in wages, and therefore cuts down purchasing power.

Despite the general statements about holding the line, the reports tell the story of steadily rising prices and the prospects of further rises.

"The wholesale cost of food went up during the quarter so that on March 15, food prices were 1.6 percent higher than those on Dec. 15, 1945, and 3.1 percent above those a year previously," according to the report. Other prices were 2.5 percent higher March 15 than for the corresponding period a year ago.

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should be noted that a large number of the price increases in food and wearing apparel have taken place since March 15. It should also be noted that one of the main aims of the new wage-price formula and the reorganization of OPA was to "streamline" machinery for price increases. The new pattern wage standard is being used as the basis for dozens of price increases which some predict will equal 15 to 20 percent.

### ADMITS PRICE RISE

In a very informative discussion of textiles and clothing, Snyder admits these price increases but contends that OPA was forced to grant them in order to bribe manufacturers to produce enough material to meet minimum requirements.

Charts in the report show that while the cost of living has risen from 105 in 1941 to 125 in 1946, clothing prices have jumped in the same period from 105 to 150, or 45 percent.

At the same time, Snyder says, profits have increased enormously. "Even though total production last year was only five percent greater than in 1939, profits in the cotton textile industry were more than 900 percent above the 1936-39 average."

Snyder does not regard profits, even enormous profits, as a danger or as a step toward inflation. This can come, as he sees it, only from workers having too much money in their pockets for the amount of goods on the shelves. Thus with wages frozen at the new "pattern," prices are controlled—but not too rigidly. They are "flexible" enough to be advanced whenever a manu-

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## Score Pa. GOP FEPC Stand

Special to the Daily Worker

HARRISBURG, April 4. — The Pennsylvania State Committee for a Permanent FEPC has condemned the refusal of GOP State Chairman M. Harvey Taylor to express the Republican Party's position on state and federal FEPC legislation.

The FEPC Committee, meeting here last week, released a statement from Democratic State Chairman J. Warren Mickle pledging support to FEPC.

The Committee, a state-wide organization, appointed delegates to present President Truman with petitions signed throughout the state demanding an FEPC law. A state FEPC convention is planned for June.

## U.S. 'No' on Sugar-Goods Swap Dashes Hope of Cuba

U. S. sugar czar Earl Wilson has spread dismay in Cuba by his hasty denial this week of reports that he had agreed to furnish Cuba the necessities of life at 1942 prices, in return for Cuba's selling us the bulk of her sugar at 3.65 a pound.

The price of sugar on the world market today is from 7.5 to 9 cents a pound, judging from sales made recently by Peru, virtually the only free source.

Yet Cuba is forced by its dependence on the U. S. in the future, to contract at the very low price. The price to U. S. consumers, by the way, has already been raised about \$100,000,000 for this year.

Cuba's reasonable request that it buy necessities at reasonable prices

is brusquely refused. The U. S. sugar director in effect tells the country it must sell at prices set by the U. S., buy at prices set by the U. S., and produce only what the U. S. says it may produce and in quantities to be fixed by the U. S.

Thus, Washington has placed a ban on Cuban alcohol and candles, although U. S. distillers are using precious grain and candy-makers are using precious sugar for the same purposes.

Cubans blame the U. S. Commodity Credit Corp. for the present world shortage, because it was CCC which, on the basis of "erroneous" estimates, ordered the restriction of Cuban plantings back in '43 and '44.

## Nazis Couldn't Hold In West in '39--Keitel

NUERNBERG, April 4 (UP).—Marshal Wilhelm Keitel, rambling uncertainly through an account of Nazi war plans, told the War Crimes Court today that an Allied attack on the Western Front during the Polish campaign would have met no effective German resistance.



**GREETES U. S. WITH SMILE:** Honor of being the 15,000th bride to land in the United States goes to Mrs. Marie Skelton, 24, of France. She is shown on her arrival in New York aboard the Army transport Zebula Vance. She is the bride of M/Sgt. Raymond Skelton of Brooklyn.

The former chief of the German High Command got tangled up in his own story telling, and at one point made a liar of himself. He said the Nazis had only five divisions on the Western Front in the first month of the war. After a recess he boosted the figure to 20 divisions, merely explaining that he was "mixed up."

But he did not change his original assertion that if the French had attacked in the west while the Germans were overrunning Poland, "they would have met no German resistance."

### Birds of a Feather Face Turkey Surfeit

MEXICO CITY, April 4 (UP).—Three tons of specially fed Texas turkeys were stored away tonight in the pantry at Ciro's swank Mexico City night club.

The gobblers, raised on a Dallas farm, were flown to Mexico on an American Airlines ship. A. C. Blumenthal, Ciro's owner, said regular turkey flights would be continued. The Texas birds were accompanied by American Air Hostess Miss Mary Ford.

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# Disabled Vets Ask Special Cars U. S. Troops Club

Press Buries Union Support of Plea

"As the wounded soldiers who appeared at the UAW convention in behalf of this resolution, we are wondering why this news was not called to the attention of the public by the press."

This is part of a letter sent to all newspapers by three wounded soldiers now patients in the England General Hospital at Atlantic City. The soldiers, Pfc. Donald J. Murray, First Lt. Norman Zellner and T/4 Walter Bernstein, were guests at the auto workers' convention last week and spoke for a resolution urging the government to make available to amputees and other disabled vets specially made automobiles.

The convention not only unanimously adopted the resolution, but also decided to donate three such automobiles to enable the disabled vets at England General Hospital to learn how to use them.

The Daily Worker carried the story of the resolution and the gift of the three special cars, and we are happy to "give it a little more space" in response to the request of the wounded vets who felt that the auto workers' support was underplayed by the press generally.

The resolution pointed out that the war has left some of its soldier veterans severely disabled "to such an extent that they require a vehicle as an essential piece of equipment in their rehabilitation and resumption of a normal civilian life."

Those with permanent paralysis of both legs as a result of severed spinal cord and amputees who lost both or one leg cannot always travel on public conveyances alone,



**Special Car:** M/Sgt. Frederick Hensel (above) who lost all four limbs, is shown with his wife Jewell in a specially built car at Battle Creek, Mich. They are starting on a honeymoon tour. If Auto Workers' resolution becomes law, all badly disabled vets will receive specially built automobiles.

the resolution stated, but they can travel alone in an automobile equipped with special hand-control attachments. It has been proven that amputees can handle such cars safely. These men run into trouble in walking due to weather hazards like ice, snow and mud, public crowds and pushing, prostheses

breaking down, irregularities in terrain (hills) and walking in the dark. Top priority in the manufacture of these specially built cars was stressed by the resolution. The late President Roosevelt drove a specially equipped car, and a number of such cars are in use today.

importance of the housing question in the fall elections.

"An earlier survey," it stated, "revealed that aside from the high cost of living housing was named as the big problem facing the people today."

## Vets Housing Needs Most Acute, Poll Finds

America's two leading public opinion polls reveal that the nation is acutely aware of the housing shortage, and that of all groups, veterans are hardest hit. The Elmo Roper poll, which also conducts the Fortune magazine surveys, disclosed yesterday that 64.4 percent of the people know a crisis exists. The Gallup poll showed that 9,000,000 families have felt the effects of the shortage.

Eighteen percent of the people were found to be living "doubled-up" in the Roper survey. In 41.8 percent of the doubled-up families, a veteran, his wife and child lives in the home.

The Gallup poll noted the political

## GIs Railroaded to Protect Brass, Lichfield Defense Says

LONDON, April 4 (UP).—Defense lawyers today challenged the jurisdiction of the Lichfield cruelty court martial on the ground that an American general had tried to "railroad" enlisted defendants in order to protect officers charged with conspiracy in GI prisoner beatings.

The defense urged that the trial be moved away from Europe to a place where a fair and impartial hearing could be given.

They asserted that Maj. Gen. John T. Lewis, European western base section commander, had attempted through high-ranking intermediaries "to impair the prosecution of higher officers" by offering shorter sentences to accused enlisted men if they would agree not to implicate their immediate commanders.

These charges were made as the court began the trial of S/Sgt. James M. Jones, Muskogee (Ala.), the first of nine former enlisted guards at the 10th reinforcement depot at Lichfield facing trial for cruelty to prisoners in the winter of 1944-45. Six officers, including a former depot commandant, have also been charged.

Chief defense counsel Frank A. Johnson, Jr., told the court he would prove that Lewis was "the real reviewing authority" in the trial instead of Col. Claude M. Thiele, commanding officer of American troops in the United

Kingdom who is officially appointed authority for the court.

Thiele is "a puppet of Gen. Lewis whose command has usurped the power of the London command in regard to these trials," the defense asserted. "Something smells," he said.

[In Washington Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, chief of staff, Wednesday ordered an immediate investigation of charges that high ranking officers were being whitewashed in the Lichfield brutality court-martial.]

## 80 Greet Sabath On 80th Birthday

Eighty leading Americans from all walks of life joined yesterday in greeting Rep. Adolph J. Sabath (D-Ill.) on his 80th birthday.

Among those who signed a round-robin greeting were Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace, Fiorello LaGuardia, Jo Davidson, Msgr. John M. Cooper, Carl Sandburg, Howard Fast, Alexander Meiklejohn, and Bishop Henry W. Hobson.

The salutation was sponsored by the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born. Sabath was born in Czechoslovakia.

The greeting was signed by 72 other leading citizens, including six senators and 16 congressmen.

## Jews in Germany Demanding Rights

FRANKFURT, Germany, April 4 (UP). — Tanks and military police riot squads were called out in Munich today as an estimated 35,000 Jews in displaced persons camps in the American occupation zone demonstrated in mass meetings.

The meetings were held in protest against the killing of a Jewish D.P. by German police in a raid on the camp at Stuttgart last week.

Cordons of military police surrounded the camps today to prevent disorder. The demonstrations were ordered by the Jewish Central Committee at a meeting here yesterday.

Jewish leaders addressing some 2,500 inmates at Zellsheim in suburban Frankfurt called on the United States and the United Nations to insure their safety by forcing Britain to permit the Jews to return to Palestine. They also shouted against the use of Germans as police in areas near Jewish camps.

Light tanks, half-tracks and jeep-loads of armed military police broke up the meeting scheduled in Munich. The Jews had planned to march through the city to Military Government headquarters.

Leaders at various camps ended their orations by advising Jews to refrain from disturbances.

"Do not create trouble," shouted the Zellsheim leader. "Return to your homes like cultured people."

JERUSALEM, April 4 (UP). — Thirty Jews were held for questioning by British authorities today after two nights of fighting in which one person was killed and at least 25 wounded in the vicinity of Tel Aviv.

## Congressmen Back National Health Bill

Support of the Wagner-Murray-Dingell National Health Act, S. 1606, bridged east and west coasts yesterday when Congressmen Emanuel Celler (D-NY), Ed V. Izac (D-Cal), Ellis E. Patterson (D-Cal), expressed complete approval of the measure. The statements were released by the International Workers Order.

Addressed to Senator James E. Murray, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor, the statements are to be included in a bound folio to be presented to the Committee on April 12, anniversary of the death of Franklin Delano

Roosevelt, as a tribute to his memory and his great battles for social security legislation. The idea for the folio originated with the IWO, a labor fraternal society, which is collecting the statements as part of its nationwide campaign for S. 1606.

## Neygaard Appointed

Appointment of Edward A. Neygaard as Deputy Industrial Commissioner in the New York State Department of Labor was announced yesterday by Commissioner Edward Corsi. Neygaard is vice president of the New York Photo Engravers Union, Local 1, A.F.L.



## RULES FOR GI, VET AND MERCHANT MARINE CONTEST

- 1 Contest open to all men and women in the armed forces, merchant marine or those honorably discharged.
- 2 Members of staff of Daily Worker or The Worker and their families, are not eligible.
- 3 Subject matter must be based on actual experience during service. If pictures are available to illustrate story, enclose information with manuscript.
- 4 To give all an equal opportunity, manuscripts must be signed with a pseudonym, accompanied by sealed envelope containing correct name and address of contestant. Write pseudonym on outside of envelope.
- 5 Write legibly, or type manuscript on one side of paper only.
- 6 Limit manuscripts to 600 words.
- 7 Prizes are: 1st, \$50; 2nd, \$25; 3rd, \$15. The Daily Worker and The Worker reserve right to publish any manuscript submitted, for which it will pay \$5, except prize winners, where prize will constitute payment.
- 8 Judges are Daily Worker staff members: Samuel Silen, literary editor; Mike Gold, columnist; Joseph Clark, veteran of European theatre; Lester Rodney, veteran of Pacific theatre.
- 9 Decisions of judges are final.
- 10 Send entries to "I Can't Forget" Contest, Daily Worker, 50 E. 13 St., N. Y. 3. N. Y. Return postage must be enclosed.

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## Liberals Back The British Loan?

By ALAN MAX

The proposed loan to Britain is part of the program of the U. S.-British imperialist bloc for world domination and war. But many liberals who oppose the Truman administration's foreign policy in general, are troubled by the question: Is it possible to be against the British loan when the pro-fascist America First crowd is also against it?

This is to fail to understand the underlying policy of the America First gang. They do not oppose a loan to Britain through "isolationism" or because they do not want America to play a role in world affairs. They are just as rabid imperialists as those who favor a U. S.-British war alliance.

It is a difference only of tactics. The America Firsters oppose a partnership with British imperialism only because they prefer to swallow the British Empire along with the rest of the world at one gulp. (Not all America Firsters oppose the loan. Senator Taft, for example, blows hot and cold on the subject.)

### LOANS AND LOANS

If the America Firsters oppose a loan to Britain, they are a hundred times more opposed to loans to the Soviet Union, France, Poland and Yugoslavia. That is why a progressive policy on loans, which must include these countries, does not at all coincide with the policy of the American Firsters.

If we are successful in forcing loans (and without imperialist political strings) to the countries just mentioned, we will have considerably changed the Administration's foreign policy.

### BRITISH POLICY

Under those circumstances, providing the British people forced a corresponding change in the policy of their government, we would be speaking for a loan to Britain while the imperialists would be set against it.

Senator Pepper, in his courageous speech in the Senate demanding a change from a hostile to a friendly policy toward the Soviet Union, gave a forceful description of British foreign policy today. This description is the best argument against a British loan.

"Tory and Socialist alike are aquiver over the dangers to their routes to India," he says, "over the deterioration of the Empire's life-lines, over the possibility of some other powerful nation getting a foothold in the Mediterranean which Britain, 1,500 miles away, seems to regard as her own 'Mare Nostrum'."

"Why does she keep four million men under arms? Why does she maintain armies of 'protection' in Greece—Palestine—Egypt—Indonesia—India—Indo-China—Burma and everywhere else along the routes of Empire?"

"Exhausted and financially pressed as she is, beset with tremendous domestic recovery problems which for their solution require the strong arms of all her men and women, Britain still keeps armies on the alert, and constantly is building a greater navy, a greater air force, carrying on desperately research in the improvement of war weapons and in the science of war..."

### CONTRADICTION

This is such a good description of British foreign policy that it is surprising to hear Senator Pepper in another part of the speech support the British loan.

"It is folly to think of rejecting the British loan," he says. "No businessman would refuse aid to his best customer going through a temporary crisis. A prosperous Britain is necessary to a prosperous world and a prosperous America."

All this might be true of a loan

to France. It would be true of a loan to the Soviet Union (which Pepper called for in the very next sentence). It would be true of loans to Poland, Yugoslavia, Italy. Unfortunately, it is not true of a loan to Britain today.

### LOAN FOR WHAT

The Britain of Churchill, Attlee and Bevin is not on the way to becoming prosperous, nor can it help the prosperity of the world and America. At least, not in the sense that a staunch liberal like Sen. Pepper means "prosperous," with employment for the rehabilitation, and, above all, peace.

Churchill came to this country for two purposes: to put across the three and three-quarter billion dollar loan and to cement an anglo-American war alliance. Churchill does not suffer from a split personality. The two purposes were actually one. The loan is the wherewithal to finance Britain's end of the war alliance.

The British government needs the three and three-quarter billion dollars to keep those 4,000,000 men under arms—to keep those bayonets in Greece, Palestine, Indonesia, India, Indo-China, Burma and elsewhere—to build and maintain that greater navy and greater air force—and to make preparations for a war against the Soviet Union as the junior partner of American imperialism!

### PEOPLE GET LEAVINGS

After paying for military expenses, very little of the loan would be left for domestic purposes. Even if some of the money were to be used for social and rehabilitation purposes at home—it would be as a concession to the British people to help cover up British imperialism's war preparations and its efforts to crush the movements of peoples for independence. If some of the money were used to "help" other countries, it would be to maintain or restore reactionary regimes there and tie them to the U. S.-British bloc.

This is the spirit in which the loan was requested. It is the spirit in which the Truman Administration and major sections

## From France: Socialist Parley OKs Joint Local Slates With CP

Wireless to Allied Labor News

PARIS, April 4.—Support for working class unity shown in recent Socialist meetings was clearly reaffirmed at a special three-day national convention of the French Socialist Party this past week-end.

With a general election only two months off, even stronger demands were made for closer action with the Communist Party to fight the growing menace of reaction.

Although the convention endorsed the executive council's proposal to run a separate ticket on a national level, certain freedom is left to provincial branches for local coalition with the Communist Party, but not with other parties.

This decision marks an important break with the clerical MRP (Popular Republican Movement) and middle-of-the-road groups, dispelling the long-cherished dream of Gen. Charles de Gaulle and others for an anti-Communist bloc based on a Socialist-MRP alliance.

The convention temper was shown on the opening day when General Secretary Daniel Mayer's proposal to discuss electoral tactics before general policy was defeated almost two to one.

The convention adopted a manifesto advocating increased output through nationalization of all key industries; strengthening of the Franco-Soviet pact by a similar pact with Britain; opposing any annexation or dismemberment of German territory and demanding internationalization of the Ruhr and French exploitation of Saar mines.

of American monopoly capital have worked out the terms of the loan and now ask Congress' approval.

When the British Labor Party victory brought the possibility of a progressive government, American capitalists were unanimous against a loan. But the visits of Attlee and Churchill and especially the Labor government's reactionary policy completely reassured them.

The British loan would strengthen the projected U. S.-British war alliance. All who oppose that dangerous alliance must logically oppose the loan.

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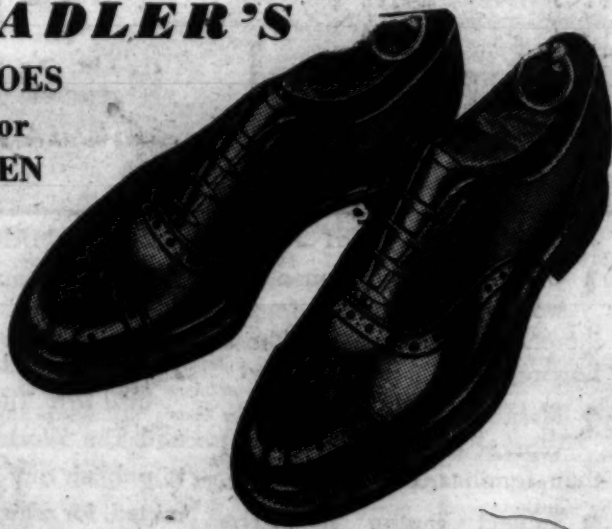
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## Call Conferences On Civil Rights

A national Congress on Civil Rights to unify the many campaigns now being waged will be held April 27 and 28 in Detroit. The Detroit conference, it is hoped, will provide a new center for national coordination. It has obtained the sponsorship of more than 600 national and community leaders.

Initiators of the conference include Col. Evans Carlson, Norman Corwin, Dr. Kirtley F. Mather, Carey McWilliams, Edward G. Robinson, Paul Robeson, Clark Foreman, president of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare; George Marshall, chairman of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties; James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers Union, and Congressman Vito Marcantonio.

Forty-three civil leaders called upon 2,500 organizations and individuals yesterday to participate in the New York Conference on Civil Rights, Saturday, April 13, at the Fraternal Clubhouse, 110 W. 48 St. Among those signing the call are Judge Anna M. Kross, Dr. Gene Weltfish, anthropologist; Saul Mills, secretary-treasurer, City CIO; Representatives Adam Clayton Powell,



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Jr., and Vito Marcantonio; radio commentators Johannes Steel and Lisa Sergio; Joseph Curran, president, National Maritime Union; Joseph P. Selly, president, American Communications Association, and state Assemblyman Hulan E. Jack.

The call stresses the need for "fully coordinated action by democratic and progressive forces of New York around an effective program . . . against the divide-and-conquer technique which led to fascism in Germany."

## Sunnyside Tenant Wins Eviction Stay

The Sunnyside Tenants Association won a skirmish in its fight against mass evictions yesterday when Sidney Penner of 39-06 47th St., Sunnyside, was granted a stay until May 15 by Judge John F. Schiepp.

Penner, who already received three stays since December 15, 1945, was permitted to occupy the premises until the middle of May because of the illness of his two children.

The house he lives in has been sold to Patrick Dunne by the Exton Management Corporation, acting for the noteholders of Sunnyside Properties, Inc.

The Exton corporation is attempting to evict 200 families now living in one, two and three family homes which are up for sale from \$7,000 to \$15,000. The noteholders are aiming to make a fast profit in the housing market.

### "PRESSURE GROUPS"

The tenants' group enlisted the aid of State Assemblyman William Clancy and Attorney Milton Friedman. Both appeared in the Penner's defense in Ridgewood Magistrate Court. About 40 members of the Association also came to court and their cheers at one point caused Dunne, new landlord of Penner's house, to complain about "pressure groups."

A tragicomic aspect of the situation was explained by Benjamin Zelman, attorney for the tenants' group, who related that Penner had bought a home but couldn't move because the seller couldn't leave because HE had bought a home but seller number two has not yet vacated.

These chain sales, Zelman said, help "perpetuate and increase the inflationary values on homes."

He explained that Penner had purchased his home before the tenant group set its policy of "No Evictions—No Home Buying."

On Sunday, the corporation was scheduled to bring a prospective buyer to the premises. Word got around that the purchaser would be greeted by a picket line. The picket line was there, but the corporation never brought its customer.

### Illegal Radio Stations

WASHINGTON, April 3 (UP).—A total of 46 illegal radio stations in this country were discovered during the last year of the war, the Federal Communications Commission revealed tonight.

## LaGuardia Sends Message to UNRRA

LONDON, April 4 (UP).—Fiorello LaGuardia, new director of United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, today sent a message to the emergency conference on European general supplies urging the liberated countries "to place more men behind the plough and fewer under arms."

LaGuardia's message also said that recipients of UNRRA supplies under this administration, "as a fundamental step . . . must stamp out black markets . . . supplying countries are not giving generously of their food and other goods to benefit private profiteers."

The conference voted to ask Herbert Hoover, former United States

President, making a survey of European food needs, to address it at the Friday session. Mr. Hoover arrived in London from Oslo today.

VATICAN CITY, April 4 (UP).—Pope Pius appealed today to the nations rich in resources to institute food rationing to help ease the threat of world famine.

The Pope broadcast throughout the world over the Vatican City radio his views on the global food crisis. He urged equal relief for Allied and Axis nations.

## South Communists Win Recounts in Fight on KKK

By DOROTHY LOEB

Five fiery Ku Klux Klan crosses were set afire in Birmingham, Ala., one day last week. The next day, the Communist Party had leaflets in preparation, attacking the Klan and exposing this terror as being directed not only against the Negro people but against miners, who were preparing to go on strike.

Terror was unleashed against the Negro people of Columbia, Tenn. A mob spread destruction through the Negro community. Two were killed while in police custody and scores of others arrested in a prelude to a wholesale frame-up.

Within a short time a Communist Party organization rose in Columbia. This very onslaught, in which fascists and klansmen intended to crush developing democracy, produced the struggle that called people to take their place in the ranks of a fighting party.

That's the way it went, according to Nat Ross, assigned by the national committee to lead party work in the South. He tells about these developments when you ask about progress in the drive for 20,000 new Communists by June 1.

### DRIVE ROLLS ON

Despite terror, despite acute financial hardship, despite a costly liquidation policy under Browder, the party drive is going forward, Ross reports.

He gives a few figures. Texas had recruited 128 of a goal of 250 up to a few days ago. Alabama accounted for 135 out of a goal of 150 and its party leaders are already figuring on going over the top by April 15 and using the rest of the drive time to better it.

The Alabama district includes Tennessee, but recruiting there has been fruitful enough to permit establishment of a separate statewide apparatus there.

From Oklahoma, the word is 44 recruited; Virginia reports 18 signed up. Louisiana and Florida are reported "coming along" but there are no late figures.

Ross says also that despite the difficulties, Communists in the South are operating more militantly and more openly than before. There has been a wide sale of Robert Minor's pamphlet about Ben Davis' election, he reports, and many areas make good use of the Sunday Worker. In Texas, for example, regular sale of The Worker has been organized in front of union halls. CIO and AFL workers who took subscriptions were among first new recruits, Ross tells us.

Ask Ross what accounts for the step-up in sign-up in the South and he tells you:

"The party is applying a correct policy in the struggle for equal rights for the Negro people, especially in the defense of the rights of returning servicemen."

"Our emphasis on the registration of Negro and white people for the 1946 primaries so that action can be taken against political Congressmen is effective."

"The participation of the party in support of strike struggles and in the preparatory stages of the drive to organize the unorganized in the South means a great deal."

But there's an inter-action between what Communists do and say and the militancy of the people themselves that promises success for the party recruiting drive, Ross indicates.

### PEOPLE'S FIGHTING SPIRIT

He says there is a fighting spirit general among the people. They are up in arms against the attacks of the employers, wage cuts through loss of overtime, downgrading, the closing of plants and growing unemployment. Returning war veterans, especially among the Negroes, are politically conscious. They are not going to be kicked around.

Ross reports, too, that there is growing awareness of an identity in interests between labor and the standing that both are simultaneous targets of the lynchers.

Thus when Communists in trade unions or the small group of Communists in Columbia call for joint

action, this rings the bell. The Nashville AFL Central Labor Union adopted a resolution demanding that those indicted in the Columbia, Tenn., frame-up be freed.

The CIO council in Nashville and the CIO council in Birmingham took similar action.

These are unprecedented developments in the South, Ross says, and he asserts that they arise not just from a sense of outrage over lawlessness in Columbia but from recognition that the same mob that attacked Negroes is out to destroy unions, too.

Ross cites a few facts about Columbia to show that this isn't mere theorizing.

"The biggest company in Columbia," he says, "is the Monsanto

Chemical Corp., which has carried on persistent and brazen anti-union campaigns.

"Monsanto was exposed by the newspaper 'In Fact,' as connected with the notorious German trust, I. G. Farben.

"In 1942, three Columbia people, two of them still there, were arrested for activity in connection with the German American Bund.

"Careful examination indicated that there is a tie-up between Bundists, Ku Klux Klan elements and fascist-minded corporation executives, with their base in the nearby village of Culleoka. It was from Culleoka, not Columbia, that the mob came to sow destruction in the Negro community."

## FREE SPAIN NOW!

The three power statement on Franco has turned out to be a dud. The people of the world, who are looking forward to action designed to rid Europe of its last fascist stronghold, received nothing but words and more words. Franco continues to slaughter the Spanish patriots who fought on the side of the Allies during the war. The United States continues to be Franco's main support, both diplomatically and commercially. It is American oil and American coal that is sustaining Franco. The statement was ominously silent on the main issue—break with Franco now—while there is still time.

## WE STAND FOR

1. The rupture of commercial and diplomatic relations with Fascist Spain by our government.
2. A blockade by the UNO of the Franco regime and any so-called "caretaker" government that merely reflects another face for fascism.
3. Material aid to the anti-fascist fighters inside Spain.
4. Our government to make strong representations in behalf of the Republicans now being slaughtered by Franco.
5. The recognition of the Republican government in exile.

To achieve this program, the American Committee for Spanish Freedom and the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, in emergency session, formed the ACTION COMMITTEE TO FREE SPAIN NOW which is planning the following actions:

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## Your Home Town

By JOHN MELDON

What this world is coming to, I simply don't know. It's a pretty confused state of affairs when I go out and interview a president of a bank and get a lecture upon the role and importance of trade unions and have this banker guy back up what he says with the best union-management contract in the banking business. I sat in the efficient but not swank office of Michael Nisselson the other day and thoroughly enjoyed listening to this new, strange specie of banker. Nisselson is a young man, alert as a daisy on a dewy June morning and he knows the national and worldwide political score frontward and backward. Nisselson is president of that flourishing labor institution known as the Amalgamated Bank. He has peculiar notions, for a banker. For instance, he says to me:



"I believe that a union contract is a good business proposition and the better the contract the better the business."

Nisselson recently signed a new contract with Local 1, the financial division of the CIO United Office and Professional Workers of America. He holds that the contract is unequalled in the financial field.

Mr. Nisselson told me the bank hires returning war vets who never worked at the Amalgamated before and gives them seniority rights as far back as 1940, or back to any date thereafter that the vet went into the armed forces. This automatically gives a newcomer in the bank vacation and other rights that older employees are entitled to. Meanwhile, the Amalgamated has done away with the traditionally long hours banking employees usually work and is the

only bank that pays overtime on a daily basis.

Out of 82 banks in the city there are only three others that have union contracts, but neither reach the standard set by the Amalgamated.

The Amalgamated also pays for hospitalization for all employees. Nisselson follows a policy of hiring Negroes, and, of the seven employed, one holds an important, key position, another is a bookkeeper and several are guards.

As I remarked earlier, Nisselson is an unusual member of the banking fraternity. For instance, he is national chairman of the National Citizens Political Action Committee; he set up the New York Committee of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, which won't endear him to Messrs. Bilbo and Rankin; he's a member of the executive committee of the Friends of the Spanish Republic, active on the Yugoslav Relief Committee and an execu-

tive of the New York Committee of the American Society for Russian Relief. These are only some of his progressive activities.

Nisselson takes sort of a belligerent attitude toward people to whom he is introduced as a bank president.

"Most folks are allergic to bank presidents," he says wryly, "and sometimes you can't blame them. One of the oldest gags in creation is about the man who went to a banker to plead for a loan and the latter gentleman, in a sporting mood, made a wager with him."

"The banker said 'I'll give you the loan if you can tell which of my eyes is a glass eye. They're perfectly matched. Which one is the glass eye?' The loan seeker looked at the banker carefully and finally said 'the left eye is glass.' The banker was amazed."

"How did you guess?" he asked. "The left eye looks human," the man answered.



MICHAEL NISSELSOON

"I strenuously object to being put into that category," said Nisselson laughingly.

Aid he's right, for my money.

# Letters from Our Readers

## Negro Primary Vote 'Refreshing' Southern Politics

Phoenix City, Ala.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I enclose an editorial from the Columbus Ledger of March 21 which, among other things, "notes with pleasure that Glynn County has quietly admitted Negroes to its 'white' primary—with extraordinarily good results and without unpleasant incident!"

It is news when a Southern newspaper of almost 100,000 circulation expresses itself as frankly, and as favorably, on the right of Negroes to vote as this one does. However, I do not approve of an implied suggestion in the editorial that Negro voting might be used as a lever to set into motion greater participation at the polls by whites. A hint of division is contained therein, which must not be permitted to develop.

I am not in close enough proximity with Bushwicks to know the candidates or the nature of the issues involved, but the fact that all county commissioners were defeated simultaneously is proof that reaction and political corruption cannot survive the com-

bined action of voting Negroes and voting white progressives.

I am one of the growing number of Southern whites who earnestly desire to see voting restrictions removed from all our people. Once this is done, the Georges, Russells, Coxes, Hobbes, Manascos, Bilbos, Rankins and all the other political poison-peddling ignoramuses from this part of the country will fall swiftly by the wayside, just as did the county commissioners at Brunswick.

The healthful, invigorating, refreshing influence of the Negro vote in the South has already been clearly demonstrated in Brunswick, Georgia and Atlanta. Let us not rest until it has been demonstrated all over the South.

S. JACKSON.

## Suggests Worker Publish School Course

Brooklyn, N.Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Why doesn't the Sunday Worker have a correspondence course? I think it would be valuable to have a complete text, used in the Workers' School, serialized in the Sunday paper, with discussion.

H. SCHWARTZ.

The Editors welcome your opinions and contributions to this page. Due to lack of space letters should be limited to 150 words so as to permit the printing of as many as possible. Please include full name and address with your letters. We will withhold names upon request.

## Harlem Youth Aid Mrs. Ferguson

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

We, the members of the Freedom Road Youth Club, have just sent the following letter to the New York Committee for Justice in Freeport:

"Enclosed you will find a money order for ten dollars. The Freedom Road Youth Club of Harlem wishes to convey to Mrs. Ferguson and her little ones that we are, and forever will be, vigilant to the uprising of fascism wherever and whenever it strikes. We want Mrs. Ferguson to accept this small but most earnest proof of our aspirations in our fight against fascism."

"Fascism in America must not be tolerated. Passivity begets shackles."

The follow-up will be a neighborhood petition appeal Saturday, April 6, between 2 and 4 p.m. Everybody is invited.

FREEDOM ROAD YOUTH CLUB.

## Penna. Sheriffs Ask Keep State Cops Away

Washington, Pa.

Editor, Daily Worker:

On April 3, we sent the following letter to Governor Edward Martin of Pennsylvania:

"In view of the fact that the miners here are on strike for higher wages and better working conditions, we view with alarm your order to send state police into our neighboring Allegheny County where the Westinghouse workers are engaged in a similar struggle. We ask you to withdraw those troops immediately."

"We are living in an age when everybody understands that higher wages and improved working conditions benefits not only the particular unions involved in contract negotiations, but also the farmers, small business men, white collar and professional workers."

"This includes the overwhelming majority of all the people, and the public no longer tolerates the violent, anti-labor, strike-breaking tactics that we so shamefully remember from the past."

"Throughout our long experience with working people, we have never seen any instance where they required extra, outside police."

ing. Our miners here are fine, law-abiding Americans, just as the workers in Westinghouse are. There is no need for the state police in any part of Western Pennsylvania. Please recall them from Pittsburgh."

DR. GRANT FURLONG,

Sheriff

MATTHEW LEPOVICH, Chief Deputy Sheriff.

## Again Anti-Soviet Drive Poisons the World

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

At the end of World War I, anti-Soviet hostility began to poison the international and national scenes throughout the capitalist world. Fascism was born, grew strong and again brought war.

And now, at the end of World War II, again we see anti-Soviet hostility and intrigue poisoning every branch of national and international life. Like the first London session of the UNO, the second is now overwhelmingly dominated by the bitter anti-Soviet delegations of Britain and the United States. Together they dictate and are submissively obeyed by many of the other delegations. One little country has been chosen by them for use as their false facade for the all-out offensive of misrepresentation of the Soviet Union.

They are using it as their made-to-order chopping block upon which they are attempting to smash world unity and destroy world peace. These imperialists are guilty of breaking faith with the millions who died in two wars. They must be stopped now.

D.

## LET'S FACE IT

# How to Lick the Tory Bloc

by Max Gordon

THE current issue of a Washington weekly carries a breakdown of the membership of the House of Representatives, the purpose of which is to examine the social basis for the Republican-tory coalition and its success in Congress.

The breakdown shows 248 seats in the House classed as non-industrial, and 187 industrial. Thus, the non-industrial districts, represented by 127 Democrats and 120 Republicans, have a majority of 61. Most of the Democratic seats in this category are in the South.

Of the 187 industrial districts, 72 are represented by Republicans. The article maintains most of those 72 are actually wealthy suburban districts which should not be classed as industrial.

In other words, less than one-third of the members of the House come from industrial districts, where labor is likely to be in a position to organize popular opinion against the political influence of monopoly capital.

The article says the Congressmen from these contrasting districts vote as their constituents want them to, and the voters from rural and suburban areas think alike. Hence the large majority commanded by the Republican poll-tax coalition.



IT is not, however, so much a matter of the cleavage in the political thinking of rural and working class voters that decides the way the Congressmen from these contrasting districts vote, though that is a factor. What accounts even more for the difference in the attitudes of these Congressmen is the absence of organizing centers in the rural areas for popular intervention in the affairs of Congress.

A Congressman from a rural area does not, as a rule have to worry about the sentiment of the rank-and-file farmer because there are either no groups at all to organize that sentiment or such groups are weak. Moreover, with the district scattered widely over four or five counties, there is no effective center of opposition to him at election time.

Hence he is free to follow the dictates of big business, which, through its control of the Farm Bureau, the National Grange, and the various political machines and organs of opinion, can organize effective opposition to him.

The division into industrial and non-industrial districts is not entirely accurate. Many non-industrial districts include some industrial towns. In New York State, for instance, such cities as Schenectady and Utica are in congressional districts predominantly rural and classed as such.

There are many such districts in the South.

The CIO organizing drive there can be a key factor in changing the complexion of Congress. The workers in the urban centers, if organized, can serve as centers of opposition to reactionary polltaxers in their districts.

BUT the battle against reactionary Congressmen cannot be confined to the South. It cannot be won there alone. It is necessary, and possible, for labor simultaneously to wage a battle against reactionaries from the rural areas of the North by building a political alliance with the farmers.

The instrument is there in the National Farmers Union. The NFU convention recently adopted a program which differs in no essential from that of the CIO. Every congressional measure espoused by the CIO was backed by it and every proposal opposed by the CIO was also opposed by the convention.

The NFU also adopted a political action program closely resembling that of the CIO and calling for unity with labor. It specifically set itself the job of becoming the "basic factor in the election of 25 Senators and 100 Congressmen."

Labor obviously has a great deal to gain by aiding the NFU to reach its objective. Its own job is twofold: first, to develop close political relations with the NFU locally as well as nationally; second, to help the NFU build its organization.

## The Daily Worker Attended UAW Convention

Atlantic City, N.J.

Editor, Daily Worker:

For the first time in the history of the UAW-CIO, the Daily Worker and The Worker were read on the floor at the 10th annual convention of the auto workers. From the balcony all during the convention proceedings, we could see the delegates reading the Daily Worker.

There was also a bookshop on the boardwalk near Convention Hall and many delegates bought Marxist literature for the first time. It is imperative that the Communist program and literature be placed before the workers at all such meetings.

Comrades in auto, steel, electric, etc., don't hide your program and principles under a bushel basket. Tell it to the world boldly and proudly.

C. DeFILIPPIS.



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## AMG Tips Hat to Nazis

**A**N AMERICAN Military Government court has sentenced two Berlin Communists to five years imprisonment. One of the defendants, Gerhard Jurr, had served nine years in a concentration camp for anti-Nazi activities.

American correspondents write that the verdict and severe sentences came as a shock to court spectators. The New York Herald Tribune correspondent Russell Hill reports observers were surprised because they "found it difficult to see that the prosecution had proved anything against the defendants."

The whole case hinged around a circular which asked Communists to check appointments to official positions. It was not even proved that the circular was distributed, even assuming that there is something wrong in this. Eye-witness accounts of the trial prove one thing definitely: the German Communist leaders were the victims of political persecution.

There is a crime being committed against the anti-Nazis in Germany.

Again and again it has been shown that the military government has allowed Nazis to retain positions in German affairs and in the British zone even organized armies.

There is only one party in Germany, the Communist Party, which has taken on itself a thankless and difficult and necessary task: to convince the German people that they bear a great share of the responsibility for Hitlerism.

To persecute the leaders of that party is to deprive the American people of the fruits of our military victory over German fascism.

## Crisis Gone, Crisis Remains

**W**ITH the possibility that the "Iran case" may cease for a time at least to be the crisis which Secretary Byrnes deliberately and unjustifiably made it, the American people breathe a little easier.

For it did not escape anyone's understanding that in the artificial crisis made up out of the whole cloth, the United States was being led down the path to war.

The Iranian government's minister of information has again informed the world that there never were the slightest doubts or difficulties in the matter of evacuating the country in accordance with previous understandings in which there are no strings attached. This is exactly what Gromyko told the UN ten days ago when Byrnes refused to listen because it did not jibe with his plan to put the Soviet Union in the dock and becloud all the other issues facing the Council such as Greece, Indonesia, Franco.

In the light of this, one can grasp the absurdity of the press propaganda that Byrnes has "won" something in the fact that the Soviet troops are leaving. They were leaving all the time that Byrnes was refusing to heed Gromyko's assurances that their presence had nothing to do with oil negotiations.

What Byrnes has "won" is something to make America worry. He has used UN not as a basis of Big Three unity but as a weapon to foster an American-British war alliance. If he continues to do so, UN will not be "vindicated" as the press boasts; it will be crippled and transformed into the opposite of what it was intended to be.

The effort to depict the Soviet Union as exercising coercion on the oil negotiations collapses in the face of the Teheran government's own admissions.

Secretary Byrnes retains the "Iran issue" for further use, if necessary, to block consideration of such issues as Franco, Indonesia and so forth. This does not bode well. The chairman of the Communist Party, William Z. Foster, wrote in this paper two days ago that while the Soviet Union, no doubt, would make every effort to conciliate and deprive the war propagandists of any excuse, the imperialist circles in this country would look for "some bigger and better crisis" at the first opportunity. There may be an attempt even to whittle the veto power under the guise of "perfecting" the Charter.

This clearly remains a formidable danger unless checked by public opinion. Sen. Pepper's hard-hitting speech in the Senate yesterday boldly challenged the entire policy of Secretary Byrnes as a ganging up against our Soviet ally for the preservation of the "rotten status quo." His words speak for millions of Americans who should follow his courageous example.

American-Soviet friendship is what public opinion must demand of its representatives at UN.

## AN ESSENTIAL BULWARK



## Views on Labor News

# A Tribute From Our Enemies

by George Morris

**T**HE Communist Party opened a drive for new members with an original goal of 20,000. But I think the enemies of Communism and of the working class have jacked up our campaign to a much higher level.

We have had many recruiting drives in the past, but this is the first time that capitalist newspapers regarded one as big news. It is certainly news for the Scripps - Howard and Hearst papers. Business concerns, paying big money for "confidential" tip sheets on best ways to "handle" labor, are also learning of the sad news.



But perhaps the best break for Communist recruiting is a dope sheet put out by Leo M. Cherne on "Communists in Labor Relations Today." He heads the Research Institute of America, a major "pipeline" of advice to employers.

Cherne, like so many other reactionaries, is sore at the Communists for getting rid of Browder. He warns his employer subscribers that under the leadership of William Z. Foster, Communists "will push harder for widespread strikes."

Cherne bemoans that "one of the most skillful achievements in modern public relations is the success with which the CPers have convinced many people that 'red-baiting' is a dangerous, devious, undemocratic procedure."

He further advises the employers that "as a practical matter, employer charges of Communism against a Communist union are likely to boomerang."

## Tribute From Our Enemies

The above is just a sample of the sort of tribute Communists receive these days from their worst enemies. Cherne's tip sheet for union-busters is really a good argument for live unionists to join the Communist Party.

"King" Joe Ryan of the International Longshoremen's Assn. is

another one of our "star recruiters." Every time his men do something for themselves he calls them Communists. The recent strikes in defiance of Ryan brought them a raise of 25 cents an hour and other improvements. Since then, some longshoremen have been saying "If this is Communism then I ought to be a regular member."

Ben Gold, president of the Fur and Leather Workers, is a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party. He rated that distinction because he achieved an unexcelled job in union leadership.

Proof? Look at the pay roll of the fur shops. They pay the highest wages, I believe, of any industry. Under his leadership 45,000 low-paid leather workers became organized and now the standards of these workers are being brought up, too.

Herb March of Chicago has been called a "Moscow agent" and all that goes with it, but the 20,000 packinghouse workers in his district know him as the man who led the fight for the 16 cents an hour raise they got. To them, too, Communism is associated with a better life for their families.

## What Really Worries Them

I can go on endlessly, from coast to coast, from industry to industry, with the same stories. But I still think that the Chernes and Ryans give us credit for far more strength than we have yet. They are really worried by the potential strength and effectiveness.

They hate to think of a day when in every local and every shop there would be men and women who know the score, devoted and trained to champion the cause of the common people. They don't like working men and women with initiative, who are alert and know how to detect the phonies of reaction, no matter under what mask they appear.

And, of course, they hate to have people around who, while fighting for something now, also talk for an ultimate social order in which the rule of the trusts will give way to the rule of those who perform useful services.

Even the hardheaded capitalist boss, who thinks socialism will never come, fears it. The very conviction among workers that socialism will be victorious makes them the bearers of that spirit of devotion and militancy, that Leo Cherne's clients don't like.

These labor-hating employers have found out in recent years that they are stuck with unions. So they are devoting their union-busting hirelings to the game of combatting those in a union who make it most effective.

That's as good a reason as I know for joining the Communist Party. Now getting round the country and labor conventions, I meet hundreds of unionists who tell me they follow this column and most often tell me they agree with us. Now how about dropping us a line saying "I have joined the Communist Party?"

## Worth Repeating

The Labor News, Rochester, N. Y., Central Trades and Labor Council (AFL): "President Truman has announced that the line of resistance against inflation has been permitted to bulge but not to burst. To the wage earners this means that the hole in your pocket has been cut a little larger to make it easier to get more out quicker. You aren't supposed to feel bad about it until they take the whole pocket away. Workers who have received a wage increase now find themselves where they were before and those who have been unable to get one yet are still further behind the eight ball."



# Labor Party Heads Invent New Bar on Communists

By JOHN BRANDON

LONDON, April 4 (ALN).—The national leadership of the British Labor Party, which has become gravely concerned at the growing prospect that the Communist request for affiliation may be accepted by the annual Labor Party conference in June, may make a last-minute attempt to amend the party's constitution to exclude from affiliation any group organized on the basis of parliamentary constituencies.

The Labor Party leadership's concern was reflected in its bitter 3,500-word memorandum last week attacking the Communists as a group of "small conspiratorial cliques." The memorandum rejected affiliation of Communists as a party, but urged the Communists to dissolve their own organization and join the Labor Party as individuals.

Revision of the Labor Party's constitution has been privately discussed for some time. The Labor Party now has a federal constitution permitting affiliation of any groups which accept its basic principles. Labor leaders, including

party chairman Harold Laski, consider that the federal constitution no longer meets the party's needs. They wish to extend the transformation of the party—which began in 1918 when individual members were accepted for the first time—into an organization of individual members and affiliated trade union members, without the embarrassing need to consider other political bodies like the Communists.

This view is borne out by the phrase in last week's memorandum that the Labor Party has "ceased to be a federal body" and no longer has room for separate party organizations. The Communist Party issued an immediate reply to the Labor memorandum calling the document "fantastic in its misrepres-

entations." The Labor Party leadership is so busy looking for Communist conspirators, the statement said, that it is blindly ignoring the growing big business sabotage of its program.

## Profits of Plant Run by Czechs Stun Rightists

ZLIN, Czechoslovakia, April 4 (ALN).—The announcement this week by the works council of the gigantic Bata plant here that the recently nationalized plant is now running at a profit has shocked Czechoslovak reactionaries.

Former factory owners almost believed their own propaganda that nationalized plants could not possibly operate at a profit. Reactionaries in the now right wing National Socialist and People's parties while paying lip service to "nationalization," were also praying for failure.

At the Bata plant in Zlin—once a notorious town—this success was a double blow because the current profit had been made in spite of a heavy capital outlay for reconstructing air-raid damage. The entrepreneurs and "free enterprise" specialists had expected to march in to set things right after the national managers and works council had failed.

By the end of this year, the Zlin plants will produce enough footwear to cover almost all the urgent domestic requirements.

## Honor Ella Fitzgerald

Singing star Ella Fitzgerald was honored for outstanding work for children throughout the nation was honored with membership on the international committee of the Foster Parents' Plan for War Children yesterday.

## Piece Pay Stalls Akron Transit Harvester Talks Strike Still On

WASHINGTON, April 4 (UP).—Disagreement over piece work pay prevented settlement tonight of the 73-day strike by 30,000 employees at 10 plants of International Harvester Co.

Government mediators predicted that an agreement will be reached tomorrow morning.

Informed sources said that company representatives and the United Farm Equipment Workers are still deadlocked on allowance pay for piecework employees when delayed by poor material or machine trouble. It has been a matter of controversy between the parties for four years.

Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson told reporters that all other issues have been agreed on verbally but still must be put in writing.

## Pole War Damage

WARSAW, April 4—(Polpress).—Poland's war losses in shipping, damages to the port of Gdynia and destruction of shipyards amount to \$60,000,000, it was announced here today.

AKRON, O., April 4 (UP).—Seven hours of conferences between union representatives and officials of the Akron Transportation Co. today failed to produce any settlement to end the three-day-old transit strike here.

The negotiating committee of the CIO Transport Workers Union and the management are to meet again tomorrow morning.

Conferences today dealt only with a pension plan. William H. Wright, union president, said that the company had submitted no new wage offer. The union demanded a 32-cent hourly wage increase and a seven-hour work day.

## Reich Heads Parley

Harry Reich, president of AFL Cooks Union, Local 83, will serve as chairman of the Conference on American Citizenship, it was announced yesterday by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born.

The conference will be held at the Paramount Ballroom, 138 W. 43 St. tomorrow (Saturday) at 1 p.m. The principal speaker at the Conference will be Justice Samuel Dickstein.

## REPORT

### WELCOME MOLLIE LIEBER

The AYD delegate to the World Youth Conference, is back from an extended tour of France, Czechoslovakia, and the U.S.S.R. where she observed the growing youth movement of Europe.

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## WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and The Worker are 35c per line (5 words) day—Wednesday at 4 p.m.

### Tonight Manhattan

ROSE WORTIS will speak on "Coming elections in relation to present situation" on Friday, April 5, 9 p.m. Fraternal Clubhouse, 110 W. 48th St. Dressmakers Lodge 322 JFPO-IWO.

"THE SMALL COUNTRIES Are Waiting Your Decision." Harold Collins will discuss the question of the future of "small nations" in the light of the world's events in the Security Council, as well as in Greece, Bulgaria, Germany and Japan. Jefferson School, 578 6th Ave., cor. 16th St., at 8:45 p.m. 50c.

FOLK DANCING of many nations for beginners and advanced. Instruction, fun. Cultural Folk Dance Group, 138 E. 16th St. 8 p.m.

### Tonight Brooklyn

LECTURE—Harold Kirshner, of Jefferson School, on Churchill—Stalin—UNO. 8:30. Adm. free. Br. 517 IWO Center, 1135 Clarkson, Brooklyn.

### Tomorrow Manhattan

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MEET YOUR OLD Brooklyn College friends at Brooklyn AYD dance, Saturday, April 6, 8:30 p.m. Square and social dancing, entertainment. 13 Astor Pl. 75c.

CONCERT, Saturday, April 6, 8:30 p.m. Community Center Theatre, 270 W. 89th St. Russian Balalaika Orch., Peter Seeger, Chernishevsky Folk Danbers, The Grovemen. Adm. \$1.20 and \$1.80. Proceeds: Russian Relief.

ALBERT E. KAHN will speak on "The

Fifth Column at Work" at the regular forum of the School of Jewish Studies, Saturday, April 6, 3 p.m., at 13 Astor Pl. Adm. 50c.

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### Tomorrow Bronx

"CABARET NITE" at Theodore Dreiser Club. Fun, frolic, dance, play. Saturday, April 6, at 8:30 p.m. Adm. 75c. 125 E. 170th St.

### Tomorrow Brooklyn

HERBERT MANGEL AYD presents Jazz Concert, Jam Session, Dance, by professional entertainers on Saturday, April 6, at 8:15 p.m., at 2075 98th St., Brooklyn. Adm. \$1 including tax.

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## Truman-Snyder Report 'Nice', But Augurs Economic Bust

(Continued from Page 4)

facturer demands more blackmail as the reward for releasing goods, or whenever it is necessary in order to guarantee the capitalist his expected rate of profit.

### DEPRIVED OF BOOSTS

It is therefore fallacious for Snyder to claim that nine million workers have received wage increases in hourly earnings are torn

from them through price boosts.

Snyder is not very perturbed by the prospect of 3,500,000 unemployed.

But the direction in which the Administration is moving is simply creating conditions which will mean a gradual increase in unemployment until the boom bursts.

When that time will be reached is difficult to say. It could be postponed if labor is militant and strong enough to prevent more price increases, and win higher wages, that is, more purchasing power. It could be postponed if more of the profits were recaptured and channeled into productive pub-

lic works, or if taxes on low incomes were abolished. It could be postponed and its effects cushioned if social security was strengthened and the national health bill adopted.

The major point of this article is simply that the capitalist prosperity which the President and Snyder see all about them is at best precarious. The laws of capitalism which Marx and Engels saw and recorded have not been repealed by President Truman and Mr. Snyder.

### Communists at Work

## HOW THE PARTY WAS BUILT IN CHICAGO PACKINGHOUSE

By J. KELLER

The Party has a rich tradition among the packinghouse workers. The organization of the Chicago Stockyards and the strike of 1921 took place under the leadership of William Z. Foster and Jack Johnstone.

Since the 1921 strike the Stockyards have been a concentration point in Chicago. The Communist Party issued shop bulletins, carried on distributions of literature and established shop branches. When the CIO organizational drive began among packinghouse workers, the Communists were in the lead and were the driving force in that campaign.

It is not to be wondered at that in the recent strike, therefore, Communists played a vital part in the leadership of the strike, on the picket line and in the mobilization of community support.

All these factors contributed towards the building of the Party during and after the 10-day strike. The number of packinghouse workers in the Party has more than doubled.

### FACTORS IN SUCCESS

But these results could not have been achieved on the basis of good traditions or good strike activities by Communists in packing, without a conscious approach to Party building. The factors which directly contributed to successful recruiting may be listed as follows:

- (1) A bold policy of concentration by the District leadership of the Party which resulted in the establishment of a section and several shop branches in packing before the strike.
- (2) Discussion on how the branches would function during the strike and the role of the Party as an independent force. This discussion began on Dec. 17, 1945, or one month before the strike.
- (3) Finding the most effective and simple means through which the Party, in its own name, could contribute to the winning of the strike. Of all the activities, the "canteen on wheels" which brought food and literature to the picket line, proved to be the most simple and yet the most effective.
- (4) The fact that outstanding strike leaders were known as Communists, coupled with exemplary strike activities by Communist packinghouse workers.
- (5) Emergence of Negro-white unity on a higher level, and association of this fact with the pioneering and persistent work of the Communist Party in the cause of Negro rights and Negro-white unity.

### ENTHUSIASM RISES

Recruiting actually got under way when the leading core of the Party members in packing became convinced of the need to build the Party. This conviction came as a result of correct policy in the strike and the role of the Party in helping to carry out this policy. The Party's role became forcefully clear to the comrades, and together with this developed pride in the Party and enthusiasm for recruiting.

At present, it is unusual for a

branch meeting to take place without a number of new applications being considered and a number of new members present for initiation into the Party. In the two largest branches, applications and new members have become the established first point on the agenda for each meeting.

The procedure with regard to new members is as follows:

- (1) Each application must be accompanied with initiation payment.
- (2) A member is not brought to the meeting till his application has been approved by the membership of the branch.
- (3) Upon approval of application, the new member is invited to the next meeting and is officially accepted into the branch.

### "THE WORKER" PUSHED

Emphasis is laid upon getting a subscription to The Worker simultaneously with the signing of application. Likewise, each member is impressed with the importance of attending new members classes. Four such classes, of six weeks duration, have now been organized.

The question of open work has been constantly discussed as a vital phase of Party building. As a result, a large number of Communists are becoming popularly known as such in the shop. In one instance a leading union official nominated a comrade for office, referred to his political views and insisted upon the comrade's right to these views. This nomination received a big ovation from the body of stewards present. On the matter of legalization, the following is important:

- (1) Legalization of the Party is not the concern of the Communists alone. It is vital to the future of the entire labor movement. Hence, the fight against red-baiting and for the full acceptance of Communists must be understood as serving the vital interests of the workers themselves.
- (2) Communists do not want to, and should not present this question as though they were capitalizing on their union activities. Nor does shouting from the housetops mean legalization. Legalization must flow from and be related to the struggles against the enemies of labor and the people. What is needed is constant attention to the question and a well-considered approach to its application.

Packing provides a promising field for a fully accepted mass Communist Party. In order to achieve this objective, however, much greater attention must be given to packing centers outside of Chicago. Unless this is done, the gains recorded in Chicago may well be lost.

### Condolences

OUR fraternal and heartfelt sympathy to Sister Gertrude Hertz and her sons Andrew and Carl in the loss of our beloved Philip Hertz. Staff of the IWO General Office.

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# Labor Delegation to Urge ABC End Jimcrow in Bowling Today

Two large CIO delegations and another group representing many progressive organizations, will at 2 p.m. today meet with officials of the American Bowling Congress at Buffalo to demand an end of Jimcrow in bowling.

Some 20 top CIO leaders in Buffalo, plus many local labor spokesmen from steel and aircraft, will comprise the trade union delegation to visit the ABC parley now convened in Buffalo's Hotel Statler. The other large-sized delegation to demand the end of discrimination in American bowling, will include representatives from the Urban League, the NAACP, the Federal Council of Churches, the YWCA, the Communist Party, American Labor Party, AFL representatives, and many other groups.

Today's delegations climax several weeks of activity, initiated by the Buffalo Communist Party, to focus nationwide attention upon the vicious "male whites only" clause in the constitution of the American Bowling Congress. When the ABC banned the Jesse Clipper Negro keggers from its international tourney at Buf-

falo several weeks ago, the Communist Party immediately threw a picket line in front of Buffalo's 74th Armory and this action drew considerable comment from the press and many public officials—and so served to rekindle awareness of the Hitler-like color ban which the ABC wrote into its rules over half a century ago.

Since the Communist Party's picket line, such noted figures as Sen. James Mead and others have urged the ABC to drop its Jimcrow clause and make bowling truly an American game.

The ABC bigwigs have been swamped with protests from labor throughout the nation. Here in New York yesterday, the Furriers Joint Council added its voice to the loud demand that Jimcrow must go.

"On behalf of the 15,000 members of the Furriers Joint Council," read the telegram to the ABC, "we strongly protest against the continued operation of a clause in your constitution which restricts membership in your organ-

ization to 'white males.' We urge that your deliberations delete this Jimcrow, un-American restriction and open your books to all Americans regardless of race, color or creed."

Over 2,000 members of the CIO's Fur Floor Boys, Local 125, urged the ABC parley: "In the name of democracy we call upon you to remove the un-American 'male white' clause from the ABC constitution."

Local 65, in the name of 15,000 militant unionists, urged the ABC "to end the alien Jimcrow ban in your organization and open your books to all Americans of every race, creed and color."

And the 14th A.D. of the American Labor Party yesterday wired the American Bowling Congress meeting:

"We unanimously condemn your barring of Negro teams from participation in tournament play as undemocratic and un-American.

"We demand you rescind the Jimcrow rule in your ABC constitution."

## In this corner

Our Old Fight Expert Asks  
About Graziano

By Bill Mardo

The phone rang late yesterday afternoon and a soft, friendly voice chirped: "William?—William Q. Mardo?"

Yrs. truly, who loves to indulge in guessing games while that devil deadline sneers at us, answered that yes, it was he, Mardo—but can the Q, and who are you?

A teasing chuckle drifted over the wire; it sounded terribly familiar, but we couldn't be too sure. "William?" Ah, yes! This is Low, Nathaniel.

"Well! My Adam's apple began to hop around like a Mexican (pardon me, Mr. Stoneham!) jumping bean—that's how happy we were to hear Nat Low's voice again. It seems that our former Daily Worker sports editor, who always was a fast worker, kayoed Kid Germ in record time, is out of the hospital and, with a little convalescing in the country, will soon be his old self again.

After the excited amenities were dispensed with, whaddya think was on his mind? Well, if you know Nathaniel, you must know that, first, last and always, he's a fierce sports lover, and even when they were dipping those penicillin needles into his arm a few weeks ago, all the medic hadda tell him was that the Dodgers were shaping up pretty good in Florida; a nutty smile would cross Nat's face and, like he was in another world, he'd say: "You've just made me a happy man, Doc; stick me again!"

Only yesterday it wasn't his beloved Bums that Nat was worried about. He was just reminding me that I hadn't come through on a promise made in last Sunday's column to further discuss Rocky Graziano's new status as a fisticuffer of stature. And I know why Nat was so interested, too. It's because the two of us had a pet theory that Rocky, though a crushing slugger, would quickly slip back into the ranks of mediocrity once he tangled with the Class A artists.

So, here's what I told Nat Low over the phone yesterday:

It would be highly unfair and inaccurate to continue with this opinion of the East Side kayo king. And doubly so, in view of Graziano's performance last week against Marty Served. The Rock accomplished what no other fighter had hitherto been able to do—knock Marty Served off his pins, and then slap him into dreamland altogether.

Secondly, the amount of improvement Graziano has displayed in his last few bouts can no longer be ignored or casually taken note of.

To my mind, the tip-off that Rocky is now more than a wild-swinging chubber was first manifested in his return set to with Red Cochrane. For the first time, he used his left hand to set a man up with, and continued to rely on that mitt until he was presented with an opening for a right-handed finisher. It proved that Rockabye was intent upon improving himself and also in gaining enough rudimentary boxing skill to complement his tremendous punching. Well, he has developed that portside to the point where today it is almost as devastating a weapon as if the overhand right.

Only two things mar Graziano's status today. The fact that he, a middleweight, has been tangling with men eight to ten pounds lighter than himself. The other blemish is that he undeniably gets away with every infraction in the books. A man who hits as hard as Rocky doesn't need any such dubious aid, and the East Sider doesn't consciously seek it. However, it's the referee's job to control Graziano's "blind spot"—for the East Sider is in there to fight as best he knows how.

Which, if it isn't great, is certainly very, very good. And while I'm opposed to Rocky's meeting anyone other than full-fledged middleweights, I must confess there's just one other welter I'd like to see him in there against. A lad named Ray Robinson.

Wow!

### NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF—Joe Hatfield, News  
WOR—Lyle Van, News  
WJZ—Olamour Manor  
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat  
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert  
12:15-WEAF—Talk—Maggi McNellis  
WOR—Hymns You Love  
WABC—Big Sister  
12:30-WEAF—Army Day Program  
WOR—News; Answer Man  
WJZ—News; Chalm School  
WABC—Helen Trent  
12:45-WABC—Our Gai Sunday  
1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride  
WOR—Mealtime Melodies  
WJZ—H. R. Baukhage, News  
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful  
WQXR—News; Symphony Music  
1:15-WJZ—The Woman's Exchange  
WABC—Ma Perkins  
1:30-WOR—Red Cross Program  
WABC—Young Dr. Malone—Sketch  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
WQXR—The Captain Tim Healy  
1:45-WEAF—Morgan Beatty, News  
WOR—John J. Anthony  
WABC—Road of Life—Sketch  
WABC—Recorded Music

### 2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF—The Guiding Light  
WOR—Daily Dilemmas  
WJZ—John B. Kennedy  
WABC—Second Mrs. Burton  
WQXR—News; Pop Concert  
2:15-WEAF—Today's Children  
WABC—Pat Barnes, Talk  
WQXR—Herry Mason—Sketch  
2:30-WEAF—Woman in White  
WOR—Queen for a Day  
WJZ—Bride and Groom  
WABC—Rosemary—Sketch  
WQXR—Request Program  
2:45-WEAF—Squasquade—Sketch  
WABC—Tena and Tim  
3:00-WEAF—A Woman of America  
WOR—Martha Deane Program  
WJZ—Al Pearce Show  
WABC—You're in the Act  
WQXR—News; Request Music  
3:15-WEAF—Ma Perkins  
3:30-WEAF—Pepper Young  
WOR—John Gambling, News  
WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated  
WABC—Cinderella, Inc.  
3:45-WEAF—Right to Happiness  
4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife—Sketch  
WJZ—Better Hall—Quiz  
WJZ—Jack Birch Show  
WABC—House Party  
WABC—News; Western Songs  
WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee  
4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas—Sketch  
WJZ—The Fitzgeralds  
4:25-WABC—News Reports  
4:30-WEAF—Lorenzo Jones  
WOR—Ask Dr. Eddy  
WJZ—Shelley Mydans  
WABC—Lorenzo Jones, Songs  
WABC—News; Music  
4:45-WEAF—Young Wilder Brown  
WJZ—Hop Harrigan  
WABC—UNO Council Session  
5:00-WEAF—When a Girl Marries  
WOR—Uncle Don  
WJZ—Terry and the Pirates  
WABC—School of the Air  
WABC—News; Music  
WQXR—News; Man About Town

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5:15-WEAF—Portia Faces Life  
WOR—Superman  
WJZ—Dick Tracy  
WMCA—Let's Listen to a Story  
WQXR—Books You Love Best  
5:30-WEAF—Just Plain Bill  
WOR—Captain Midnight  
WJZ—Jack Armstrong  
WABC—Cimarron Tavern—Sketch  
WMCA—News; Jerry Baker, Songs  
WQXR—Temple Emanuel—Service  
5:45-WEAF—Front-Page Parade  
WOR—Adventures of Tom Mix  
WJZ—Tennessee Jed—Sketch  
WABC—Sparrow and the Hawk

### 6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF—News; Concert Music  
WOR—Easy Aces—Sketch  
WJZ—Kiernan's News Corner  
WABC—Quincy Howe  
WMCA—News; Music  
WQXR—News; Music to Remember  
6:15-WOR—Bob Elson, Interviews  
WJZ—Eikel and Albert—Sketch  
WABC—To Be Announced  
6:25-WQXR—News; Dinner Music  
6:30-WOR—Fred Vandeventer, News  
WJZ—News; Sports Talk  
WABC—Gordon MacRae, Songs  
WMCA—Racing Results  
6:40-WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern  
6:45-WEAF—Lowell Thomas  
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax  
WJZ—Herr's Morgan  
WABC—Robert Trout, News  
WQXR—Supper Club, Variety  
7:00-WEAF—Pulton Lewis, Jr.  
WJZ—Headline Edition  
WABC—Lanny Ross Show  
WMCA—Jack Elgen, News  
WQXR—UNO Summary; Music  
7:15-WEAF—News of the World  
WOR—The Answer Man  
WJZ—Raymond Swing  
WABC—Jack Smith Show  
WMCA—Five-Star Final  
WQXR—Alfredo Seville, Baritone  
7:30-WEAF—Mills Brothers, Songs  
WOR—Henry J. Taylor  
WJZ—The Lone Ranger  
WABC—Ginny Simms Show  
WMCA—J. Raymond Walsh  
WQXR—Baritone Orchestra  
7:45-WEAF—H. V. Kaltenborn  
WOR—Sports—Bill Brandt  
WHN—Johannes Steel  
WMCA—Sid Gary, Songs  
8:00-WEAF—Highways in Melody  
WOR—Passport to Romance  
WJZ—The Woody Herman Show  
WABC—The Aldrich Family—Play  
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall  
8:30-WEAF—Duffy's Tavern  
WOR—So You Think You Know  
Music—Quiz  
WJZ—This Is Your FBI

WABC—Kate Smith Show  
WMCA—UNO Session  
8:55-WABC—Bill Henry, News

### 9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00-WEAF—People Are Funny  
WOR—Gabriel Heatter  
WJZ—Alan Young Show  
WABC—Holiday and Company, with  
Ray Meyer, Edith Evans, Others  
WQXR—Worldwide News Review  
9:05-WAAT (970 Kc)—"Labor Views the  
News"—Sponsored by UE-CIO  
9:15-WOR—Real Life Stories  
WQXR—Great Names  
9:30-WEAF—Bob Hannon, Songs; Evelyn  
MacGregor, Contralto; Chorus  
WOR—James Orchestra  
WJZ—The Sherrie—Play  
WABC—Durante-Moore Show  
WMCA—Quidam Class  
WQXR—Recorded Rarities  
9:55-WJZ—Chester Morrison, Songs  
10:00-WEAF—Mystery Theater  
WOR—To Be Announced  
WJZ—Boxing Bouts  
WABC—Danny Kaye Show  
WQXR—News; Overture  
10:15-WOR—Take These Notes  
WQXR—Beatrice Mary, Songs  
10:30-WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern  
WOR—Symphonette  
WABC—Malsie—Sketch  
WMCA—Frank Kingdom  
10:45-WEAF—Talk  
WMCA—Tom Burdick, Songs  
WQXR—The Music Box  
11:00-WEAF—WOR—News; Music  
WJZ—WABC—News; Music  
WMCA—News; Gypsy Caravan  
WQXR—News; Symphony Hour  
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# Marc Blitzstein's 'The Airborne'

by Sam Morgenstern

MARC BLITZSTEIN'S Symphony: The Airborne is in certain parts a terrifically moving radio script with music, in other parts a stirring cantata, and in still others an exciting musical show with Blitzstein humor and tunes, but it is never a symphony. This should bother nobody at all, since the work has musical moments of great beauty and stunning orchestral color. But the unity of his text which certainly does exist within each of the three movements does not exist in their music. Each section within the separate movements seems, on first hearing at least, to be a fragment, here large and there small, yet still a fragment, not integrated into a complete musical whole. One is moved, as the audience was, to applaud at the end of a song or a chorus, but the central idea inherent in the dramatic text of each movement is lacking musically.

The work begins with the history of flight, man's dream of moving through the air, the tentative efforts of Etana and Icarus and the success of the Wright brothers. The second part tells of the evil use to which flight was put by Hitler and his fascist armies, the bombing of innocent cities, Leningrad, London, Warsaw and Guernica. The last is a picture of those young fliers who fought and defeated the destroyers of people and cities, and a final paean to victory and the open skies. "Open sky. Open sky. Free the air for the Airborne. Not without warning! Warning! Warning!"

The purely instrumental effects are striking for their instrumental effects rather than for their musical content. The music is most interesting when Blitzstein reverts to the style of "The Cradle Will Rock" and "No for an Answer," with their jazz rhythms and typical American melodic lines. The barbershop quartet, "Hello Fellas, Hiya," is as American as the corner drug store, and no GI who has been in the army any length of time will forget the "Hurry Up, Hurry Up, Hurry Up and Wait." The "Ballad of the Bombardier" is a sensational ballad which recalls one of the best of Blitzstein's love songs, "Francie" of "No for an Answer." The "Chorus of the Rendezvous," an impassioned plea for the second front, is in the composer's most forceful style.

## THE HIDEOUSNESS OF THE ENEMY

In the Ballad of the Cities he has done some magnificent choral writing. For instance, when the tenor is singing high above the chorus, "We can hold out, we can hold out, are you coming?" he achieves the utmost of anguish in the combination of music and poetry. The theme of the song The Enemy is stark and bitter and, with the rhythmic mass choral speech above it, masterfully portrays the hideousness and the stupidity of the Hitlerites.

To be sure, the musical phrase to the words "Airborne, Airborne, to be Airborne!" repeated at the beginning and the end of the work does give an ideological unity; but that is not enough to give each movement its own special unity, nor a musical oneness to the entire piece.

Since the Airborne was written on commission for the U.S. Army Eighth Air Force in England, it may very well be that Mr. Blitzstein conceived it from the very beginning as a spectacle rather than a major musical work, and an exciting spectacle is just what it is.

Leonard Bernstein gave the work a brilliant, vibrant performance, drawing from the orchestra, the chorus and the soloists their very best. Charles Holland, a young Negro tenor, and Walter Scheff, baritone, were unusually well chosen for their solo parts. The male section of the Collegiate Chorale sang with tremendous vigor and beautiful tone quality, as usual, and their choral speech was done with a clarity of diction almost unheard of in choruses. Orson Welles was the narrator or, as Blitzstein prefers to call him, the monitor.

Preceding the Airborne were two Mozart works, the Overture to The Abduction from the Seraglio and the D Major Violin Concerto. Werner Lewyn, concert master of the orchestra, was a superb soloist in the Concerto, and the orchestra under Mr. Bernstein's leadership played both the Overture and the accompaniment to the Concerto with elegance and the utmost clarity of style.

City Center was jammed, and the audience gave the conductor, composer and soloists a rousing ovation.

# Whodunit Achieves Suspense Despite Corny Dialogue

By DAVID FLATT

Deadline at Dawn, at the Palace, is a smartly-dressed mystery with dialogue by Clifford Odets and direction by Harold Clurman. It moves swiftly despite numerous interruptions by characters who con-

tribute little or nothing to the plot. For example: the drunk who plants himself on the sidewalk outside the house of his murdered girl friend and calls for her to throw down a bottle; the janitor, a murder suspect, who turns out to be an innocent bystander in search of a veterinary for his pet cat that has choked on a chicken bone.

The film achieves suspense despite philosophical cabbies and corny lines like "oh that one—what was she crying for—don't she know that life is too short for tears." Once in a while the real Odets breaks through in a description of a gangster with "a face like the back of a hairbrush."

## ARTIFICIAL DIALOGUE

Most of the time, the dialogue and the situations are contrived rather than real.

Extremely difficult on the ear is the language of Odets' cab-drivers. Lines like "the misery that walks around in this quiet night" are tacked on to a Saroyan plot about a friendly dance-hall girl (Susan

Hayward), a bewildered sailor (Bill Williams), a kindly cabbie (Paul Lucas), a brutal gangster (Joseph Calleia), who find themselves involved in the murder of a street-walker.

Better than most mysteries, Deadline at Dawn, on the other hand presents us with an Odets who is still using a line of talk that passed out with the depression 30s. When Harold Clurman allows Susan Hayward and Bill Williams to be themselves, when the film sticks to its main task, which is to find the killer before dawn—it moves. When Odets intrudes his awkward observations about cabbies, janitors, superintendents, refugees, gangsters and sailors, it moves not at all.

Deadline at Dawn, an RKO radio film directed by Harold Clurman. Screenplay by Clifford Odets. Based on a novel by William Irish. With Susan Hayward, Paul Lucas, Bill Williams, Joseph Calleia, Lola Lane, Jerome Cowan. At the Palace.



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# An Artist Poses the Big Problem

By BETH McHENRY

JOSEPH DELANEY, who knows from experience the tough lot of the artist who wants to help change things, says the Left Wing movement has got to tackle the problem of how an artist can paint for the people and live.

Delaney at 41 has been a recognized talent for a number of years. Recognized in the sense of being singled out for praise by critics. But he still faces the big overall problem that's a stumbling block to every serious talent not heavily endowed at birth—how to keep going and work full time at his art.

For Joseph Delaney doesn't want to be, doesn't believe in being, a part-time artist.

"For myself, and for what I try to do, I need to work full-time at my painting," he told us in an interview the other day. "If you have to make your living otherwise—making your living becomes the big thing and your painting becomes a sideline. To me, painting is the big thing—painting and people."

Delaney, the ninth child of a Methodist minister, left his home in the Negro community of Knoxville, Tenn., when he was 18. Already he was doing serious sketches and political cartoons for the local Negro press. There had been no question about his bent. From an early age he sketched and painted and everybody he knew knew that he would spend his life painting; it was understood.

## STUDIED IN CHICAGO AND NEW YORK

His art training included a course at La Salle Extension in Chicago, and courses at the Art Students League in New York,



JOSEPH DELANEY

where he studied with George Bridgman, Alexander Brook and Thomas Benton. During the depression he worked on the Artists' Project of the PWA. And all the time he kept on painting—often working the whole night through, doing portraits and landscapes, bringing people to life on canvas. His studio on Grand St. is a storehouse for quantities of his work. These things of Delaney's have been appraised and praised—but where does an unendowed artist go from there, asks Joe Delaney.

He's had National Academy showings, Metropolitan and Brooklyn museum showings, and some of his things are in various collections.

On a Rosenwald Fellowship in 1942 he did the Eastern Seaboard from Charlestown to Martha's Vineyard.

"You look at me," he said. "I'm not a beginner and not a success, in money terms. But I'm serious and folks say my work is good. What happens to me now? What happens to all the artists who are good and hard-working and serious about the class struggle?"

He thinks the Cultural Left should devote plenty of good hard thinking to mapping out a program and projects to help solve this problem.

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## Behind Iran Curtain

# U. S. Fortifies Bases Around the World

By JAMES S. ALLEN

Cuba is not the only country in which the United States maintains air and naval bases. But that could not be guessed from the aplomb with which Secretary Byrnes announced that American bases built in Cuba during the war would be returned to that country. Evidently he thought this action would dispose of the question of extensive United States military expansion abroad, while he would proceed to belabor the Soviet Union over Iran.

The truth of the matter is that if any nation today deserves to be charged with strategic expansion in the military sense it is the United States. During the war, American troops and bases have appeared on all continents and many islands. And it is becoming painfully clear to everybody that the United States intends to hold on to many of these outposts, in most cases against the will of other nations.

In the announcement of the Cuban wartime bases it was admitted that negotiations between the Cuban and American governments were started last September, when Japan surrendered. Thus it was only after seven months of negotiations, and under intense public pressure, that the decision was finally taken. Byrnes is now attempting to make the most of this action, as a "moral" argument against the Soviet Union, which had set a date for the withdrawal of its troops from Iran when negotiations had lasted hardly a month.

In the military sense, the United States has been withdrawing gradually from Cuba over a period of forty years. But even now it would be a mistake to think that this process is at last completed. The large American naval base at Guantanamo remains.

### WEST INDIES BASES

Not to mention the continued occupation of Puerto Rico as a colony, and the 99-year leases of naval and air bases in the British West Indies and Newfoundland, one might well ask what the United States intends to do about returning the numerous air bases and naval stations established during the war throughout Latin America.

At the time these were established the United States pledged that they would be turned back after the war. The usual clause provided for this return within six months after the war was officially declared over. Although the war ended over seven months ago, the United States has not yet officially declared peace, and this technicality is used to delay the fulfillment of the American pledge.

A number of Latin American countries have already raised the question of returning the bases, and are growing impatient with the delay.

They have good cause for worry. During the war, the Aviation Subcommittee of the House Military Affairs Committee visited American bases as far south as Buenos Aires on the Atlantic and Santiago on the Pacific. On its return, the committee proposed that the United States arrange for postwar use of the air bases built by the United States, in most cases for commercial purposes. But it also urged that a number be retained as military or naval bases, among them the Galapagos Islands belonging to Ecuador.

### BRAZIL PUBLIC AROUSED

This evoked a great protest in Ecuador, and to this day, as far as is known, no direct and concrete assurances have yet been given by the State Department to the Ecuadorian government.

Public comment has also been aroused in Brazil over the status of the bases at Natal and For-

taleza, which were used by the United States in the trans-Atlantic ferry service to Africa. In many instances, the airfields used by the U. S. Air Force are being turned into civilian fields, as part of the greatly expanded network of American airlines throughout Latin America.

Along the North Atlantic route, besides Argentina (Newfoundland) and two small French possessions nearby, the United States acquired bases during the war in Greenland and Iceland. The right to the Greenland bases was acquired from the Danish minister in Washington, when his country was overrun by the Nazis.

Although Soviet occupation troops have withdrawn from the Danish island of Bornholm, the United States still shows little inclination to evacuate Greenland or Iceland, where the independent republic established in 1944 by a popular plebiscite is demanding the withdrawal of the American forces.

### THE AZORES, TOO?

In addition to these Atlantic outposts, the desirability of the Azores has been mentioned more than once. No American official has yet denied that the United States intends to obtain permanent bases there. And along the string of islands that stretches from Puerto Rico to Venezuela, the United States finds its stay in the French possessions of Martinique and Guadeloupe quite pleasant. Some American forces are also stationed on the Dutch oil-refinery islands of Curacao and Aruba, off oil-rich Venezuela.

Dakar in West Africa and a number of bases in North Africa, the springboard for the invasion of Italy, have not yet been finally surrendered. Although they do not appear on any American claims list, it can be assumed that they are being held pending negotiations of one kind or another. Other American-built airfields in Africa (as in the French Congo) and in the Middle East are being transformed into giant civilian airports, which can service military planes as well.

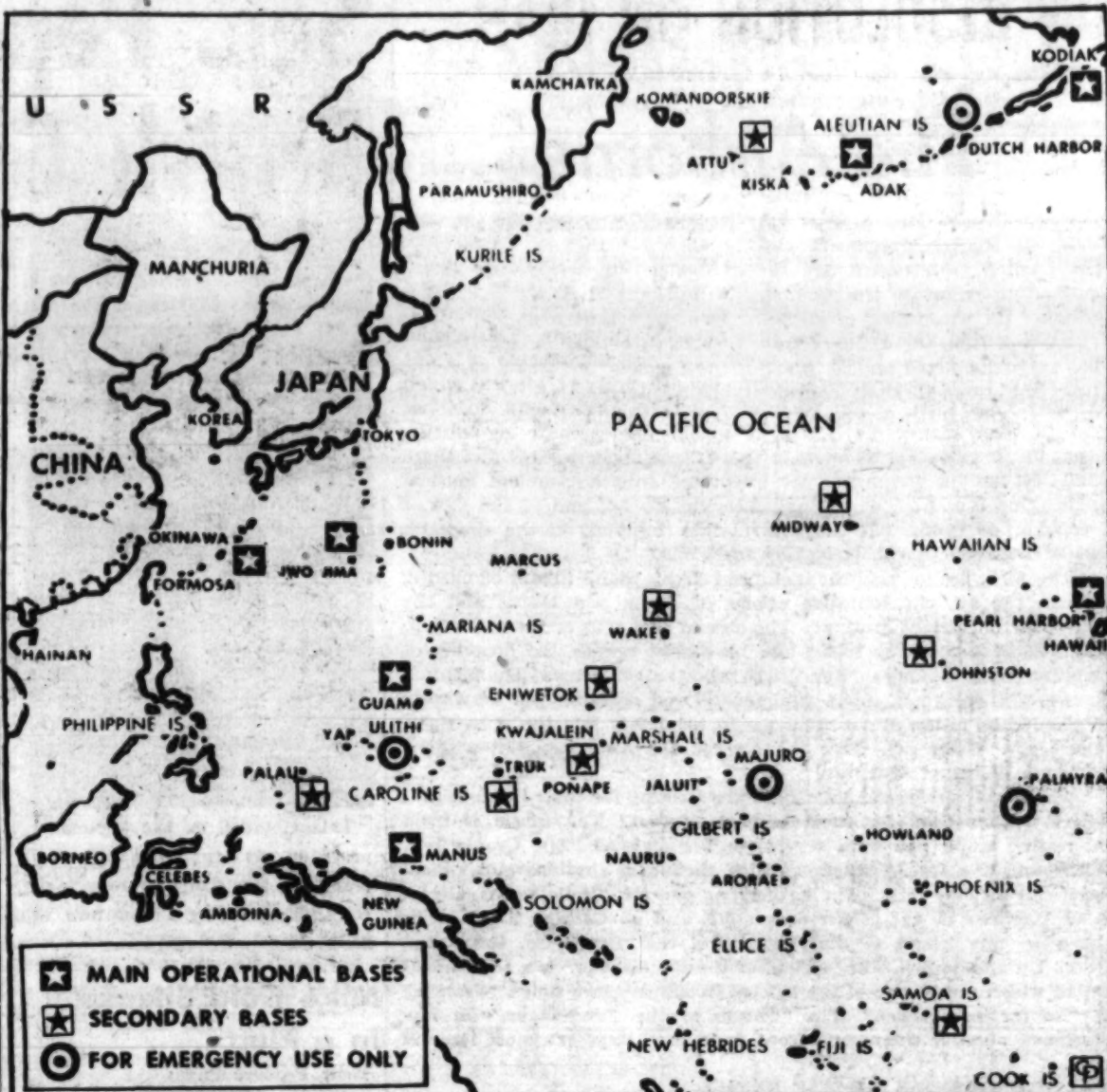
When we turn to the Pacific, we find a vast network of bases reaching to the Asiatic mainland. In addition to the old American bases in the Aleutians and the Central Pacific, as well as the Philippines, the islands taken over from Japan are included in this network.

The work of fortifying these islands and installing bases is in full swing, without waiting for any decision from the United Nations Security Council or the still floundering Trusteeship Commission. Why it can be assumed that these islands are booty of war, which the United States can use to turn the Pacific into an American lake, while the Soviet Union is condemned for dismantling the huge Japanese arsenals in bordering Manchuria, remains a mystery.

### EYES ON CALEDONIA

In addition to this Pacific network, wartime agreements with Britain, Australia and the Dutch give the United States the right to share the use of their naval bases in the Pacific. It is generally suspected that the United States has designs on the French possession of Caledonia, as well.

A list recently released by the Senate Naval Affairs Committee contains no less than 31 naval and air bases in the Pacific over which the United States demands exclusive control. The U. S. Navy



**For Defense?** The U. S. Navy has asked Congress for its approval for the maintenance of bases throughout the South Pacific and along the China coast. Without approval, it is continuing the work of fortification. Not shown are U. S. Army bases, nor what is behind the demand for this great network.

# U. S. Adds Bombers To Brazilian Base

By DUI FACO

Wireless to the Daily Worker

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 4.—Twenty-one hundred American GIs and 31 Flying Fortresses have arrived to reinforce the U.S. air base at Natal, Brazil. Capt. Agildo Barata, well-known revolutionary leader and comrade of Luis Carlos Prestes, told the Tribuna Popular.

## Cubans Ask FBI Get Out PDQ

HAVANA, April 4.—Now that the campaign for evacuation of United States bases has won partial success, the newspaper "Hoy" said here today that the next step is to oust U. S. secret agents from Cuban soil.

FBI operatives working from the fourth floor of the U. S. Embassy here are checking on Cuban progressives and labor leaders, it was reported, and are also conducting police activities in the jurisdiction of the Cuban Government.

"Hoy" has also asked for evacuation of permanent U. S. bases set up shortly after the Spanish-American War.

and U.S. Air Force lists have not yet been made public.

This ambitious expansionist program extends also to the Asiatic mainland. There has been much talk of acquiring a base on Formosa, which has been returned to China, and another in Korea. Moreover, the keen American interest in assuring the occupation of Manchuria by Chiang Kai-shek's divisions, many of them American-trained and advised by American officers, indicates certain military ambitions in strategic Northeast China.

### TROOPS TO STAY IN ASIA

It is well to note that despite General Wedemeyer's announcement that the United States army in China will be disbanded on May 1, a considerable American force will remain. Some three or four thousand U. S. Army men will continue to help move Chinese troops and equipment, and an advisory body of some 700 will be permanently attached to Chinese military headquarters in Nanking.

The Marine Corps will be returned to Navy supervision, but some 30,000 Marines are still in North China, for whom no evacuation date has been given. In addition to these forces, the

American Seventh Fleet has about 10,000 men ashore and afloat at Shanghai, Tientsin, Tsingtao and other ports.

In the Philippines, it is planned to keep a permanent American Army garrison of over 70,000 men even after independence, and at least one naval base. In the words of the American commanding general, the American troops will be kept on hand to put down "trouble" in Indochina, Indonesia and elsewhere in seething Asia.

As can be seen, Byrnes' clever Cuban stunt hardly changes the situation.

## New Soviet Songs In Tarasova Concert

Nina Tarasova's Carnegie Hall concert on April 12 will include the newest Soviet as well as old Russian folksongs in addition to numerous numbers in French, Spanish and English. Mme. Tarasova will be assisted by the Radischev Dancers directed by Alex Karacheun. The concert is dedicated to the memory of the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, great builder of Soviet-American friendship.

The danger of war is far greater than is generally believed, Capt. Barata warned.

The question of the return of air-bases leased to the United States during the war become one of the main topics of discussion throughout Brazil.

Talking of the danger of a new imperialist war, Prestes, hero of the Brazilian revolution and head of the Communist Party, told a mass rally here Sunday:

"To launch this country into a war of rapine, the treacherous fascists would first have to march across the bodies of the Communists."

From all over the land thousands of messages to Prestes welcomed these words.

The reactionaries know by Prestes' record that these are not idle words. The speech of the 'Knight of Hope' forced some Rightists to retract some of their recent violent slanders of the Communists, although the latter are still under heavy attack.

Police of the Federal District here forbade the district trade union congress from holding its concluding session in the form of an open air mass meeting.

The congress adopted a resolution addressed to the Constituent Assembly denouncing the war provocations of the great imperialist powers, urging a break with Franco and Salazar, dictator of Portugal, and expressing solidarity with the people of Portugal, Spain and Paraguay.

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## UN RESOLUTION ON IRAN

Following are the essential sections of the Security Council resolution on the Iran issue adopted yesterday.

Resolved that the Council defer further proceedings on the Iranian appeal until May 6, at which time the Soviet Government and the Iranian Government are requested to report to the Council whether the withdrawal of all Soviet troops from the whole of Iran has been completed and at which time the Council shall consider what, if any, further proceedings on the Iranian appeal are required:

Provided, however, that if in the meantime either the Soviet Government or the Iranian Government or any member of the Security Council reports to the Secretary-General any developments which may retard or threaten to retard the prompt withdrawal of Soviet troops from Iran, in accordance with the assurances of the Soviet Union to the Council, the Secretary-General shall immediately call to the attention of the Council such reports which shall be considered as the first item on the agenda.



**Motherhood Triumphs Again:** Mrs. Gloria Vanderbilt can rest assured that she won't be ill-housed, ill-fed, or ill-clothed, her daughter Gloria Vanderbilt Stokowski assures an anxious public via a press conference in her West 53 St. home. DAILY NEWS readers can now breathe easier.

## Chiang Troops Slay 8 Russians In Mukden

MUKDEN, April 3 (delayed) (UP). — Vladimir Drozdov, Soviet newspaperman, told American correspondents today that Russians have been victims of eight murders, four tortures and three kidnappings since Soviet troops evacuated Mukden March 12.

Drozdov produced four Russians and a Korean who showed scars and wounds, claiming they had been mistreated by Kuomintang soldiers.

Virtually all the victims were described as white Russians who recently became Soviet citizens.

### MONKEY WARD

Sewell (See Here Private Enterprise) Avery announces, after all that bitter battle against a wretched WLB-ordered increase, that Montgomery-Ward net profit for the year ending Jan. 31 was \$22,932,625, an increase of more than \$1,650,000 over the year before.

## Women Map Plans For Int'l Parley

Plans for an international assembly of women in support of the United Nations Charter were announced last night at a dinner honoring Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, sponsor of the conference to be held next October.

Mrs. Vera Michels Dean, research director of the Foreign Policy Association, said the international assembly would promote fuller participation by women in the "task of building world order." Nineteen national women's organizations are sponsoring the 10-day assembly to which American and foreign women's organizations are expected to send delegates.

## Rayon Producers Oppose Controls

WASHINGTON, April 3 (UP). — The rayon industry today opposed any reinstatement of government controls which would set aside rayon production for hosiery manufacture.

At a meeting of the Rayon Producers Industry Advisory Committee with the Civilian Production Administration, members said a new distribution regulation would serve no good purpose.

## UN Shelves Iran Case to May 6

(Continued from page 3)

this troop withdrawal was unconnected with the Soviet desire for economic arrangements with the Iranian government was indicated by Mr. Gromyko on March 26. Yet his word on these matters, speaking as the official representative of the USSR, was not accepted until April 4.

It is evident to nearly all observers at the Security Council sessions that this fraud perpetrated upon the United Nations by the Anglo-American bloc has merely damaged but not destroyed the UN or its Security Council. Certain positive things have resulted.

The motives and methods of the Anglo-American imperialist bloc have been exposed before the people of the world. The latter have thereby been strengthened in their determination to continue on a self-destructive course.

for world peace and security.

Some of the small countries conspicuously Egypt, Mexico and Australia, have obviously been placed in an exceedingly uncomfortable position by the overriding methods of Byrnes and Cadogan. While not coming directly to the assistance of world security during the current debate, they have used the issue to lay the groundwork for future protests against the interventionist policies of America and Britain.

Thoughtful people will undoubtedly not be deceived by the effort to compromise the Soviet Union.

The American State Department and the British Foreign Office, so long as they continue to ride roughshod over the democratic aspirations of the colonial and semi-colonial people, will find it increasingly difficult to force nations now subservient to them to continue on a self-destructive course.

# Sen. Pepper Flays U. S., British Gangup on USSR

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both Hitler and Russia would disappear from the face of the earth.

"If we were so," Pepper said, "what has the American (UN) delegation done about Indonesia, what has it done about other areas where other people's troops are?"

"All I'm asking is an American policy which says to everybody: 'Get out of everybody else's country. I want us to be pro-American.'"

Pepper said British troops in Iraq were "all over the place" and that it was "common knowledge" they were dictating to the government of that state.

"They make the sanctimonious pretense that they are for freedom all over the world. Freedom for all loyal Englishmen."

"What I decry is this internationalism and hypocrisy."

### BRITISH ATROCITIES

He said he could tell the Senate stories of British and French atrocities in Lebanon and Syria "that would turn your hair."

He said the President of Lebanon was seized and held incommunicado

for eight days because he "opposed the retention of Lebanon as a mandate."

In Damascus, he added, "troops of a great power" opened fire on the Syrian parliament building, hoping to "massacre" the delegates.

"And who was there?" he demanded. "British and French troops were there."

"But in London," Pepper continued, "at the United Nations meeting when they talked about getting British and French troops out of Syria, that didn't seem to excite the United States delegation."

Then the Floridian declared that "Russia is a friend that can help us keep the peace."

Sen. Owen Brewster (R-Me.) backed up Pepper with the suggestion that the State Department investigate the "sudden creation" of the new independent nation of Trans-Jordan.

In the House, meanwhile, Rep. Augustus W. Bennett (R-NY) called on his colleagues to "censure" Great Britain for her agreement to declare Trans-Jordan an independent state. He said Britain had agreed

not to change the status of Palestine without approval of the United States.

"I strongly urge the House to censure this unwarranted division of Palestine and command the American people to keep watchfulness as to the ultimate disposition of that country and the attitude taken by our State Department," he said.

## Aid to Chiang Brews Civil War Chou Charges

CHUNGKING, April 4 (UP). — Communist Gen. Chou En-lai today charged the Chinese Kuomintang Party with instigating civil war and asked the United States and other Allied nations to withhold financial aid to the Chinese Government.

In a two and one-half hour statement to correspondents, Chou charged that the Kuomintang Government is instigating civil war in an attempt to maintain one-party rule and that outside assistance would "further the Kuomintang's dictatorship and augment the people's suffering."

He charged that the government is "stalling" on cease-fire missions in Manchuria and warned that widespread civil war would result "if the government continues to distort Political Consultative Council agreements."

Chou's statement was released as Gen. George C. Marshall, President Truman's special envoy to China, conferred with officials in Washington on granting a loan to the spito Chiang Kai-shek's Government.

"The Allies should stick firmly to President Truman's statement that political tutelage be ended and democratic governments be initiated," Chou said.

"Only after China has a democratic government would financial assistance be beneficial to peaceful development," international cooperation and democratic unification of our country.

"Careless assistance rendered by nations abroad would augment the people's suffering and lead to further disorder," he added.

"If the government can't be reorganized on the basis set forth by the PCC, we cannot participate in reorganization," he said. "The new coalition government would be a sham. Members of parties other than the Kuomintang would merely be guests of the government, with no voice in the government."

"I believe the Manchurian problem should be worked out through consultation and not force of arms," he said. "The government is sending eight armies into the northwest territory, in violation of an agreement which states they would send no more than five. We are very concerned about it. It will only serve to enlarge the scope of civil war."

## Brooklyn Women Map Peace Rally

Brooklyn women, determined to stave off a World War III, are meeting this Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m. at the Hotel St. George.

Seventy-seven women, headed by Mrs. William Howard Melish, district chairman of the Parent Teachers Association and leader of the Church Women's Action Committee for Victory and Peace, have issued a call to all Brooklyn women's groups. The conference will have four panels dealing with family health and security, raising the American standard of living, youth, women's work, and peace.

## Press Roundup

The HERALD TRIBUNE calls the Security Council session "a success of common action, and not a 'victory' of any one over Russia. It was not achieved by threats, suasion, voting majorities or any other kind of coercive action." Having argued repeatedly for big power agreement if the UN is to succeed, the Tribune warns: "It is not a triumph of the West over Russia or of Russia over the West..."

George Fielding Eliot believes that a more important factor than oil in Iran is the Soviet desire to defend "their land frontiers against invasion." He writes: "Russian Transcaucasia is so divided from the rest of Russia that it could be cut off without much difficulty if a strong hostile force were to be concentrated in Turkey and Iran; and if that happened, Russia would lose the greater part of its present oil resources."

THE POST columnist, Marquis W. Childs, shows the interest of British oil companies in anti-Soviet plots: "Before the Bolshevik revolution of 1917, the British had a big stake in Russia's Batumi oil. The late Sir Henry Deterding, as head of Royal Dutch Shell Oil, never ceased to believe that that stake could be reclaimed in one way or another. Russian intelligence picked up, from time to time, reports of plots and counterplots aimed at Russia's rich reserves."

Editorial comment points up the role of the new veteran. The Post cites the Collegiate Post of the American Legion, which is campaigning against discrimination in education; also the American Veterans Committee campaigning for housing.

Shanghai Correspondent Robert R. Martin interviews a Japanese leader of the struggle against Japanese imperialism. Wataru Kaji is not a Johnny-come-lately convert to MacArthur's new Japanese "democracy." Martin writes: "He fled to China, and in 1939 organized the Japanese People's Anti-War League, thereby becoming Japan's No. 1 traitor and chief anti-war propagandist for Chungking among Japanese troops."

Recommending Kaji's sound ideas about present-day Japan, Martin reports that Kaji "believes that the decision to hold elections April 10 was 'tripping'."

quotes him about the draft constitution supported by MacArthur: "It was drafted by reactionaries who do not intend to give up their power..."

THE TIMES estimates the Iran settlement as "a great moral victory for the United Nations and bestows honor upon all concerned." But it hasn't changed its opinion that the Council should serve as a medium for putting the Soviet Union on the spot rather than an agency for peace via big power agreement.

PM stresses the difference between the Lillenthal Report and the letter of transmittal for the report sent by Under-Secretary Dean Acheson and four other members of the State Department Committee on Atomic Energy. Max Lerner writes: "I can understand why the Acheson group is so careful to keep the atom-bomb processes and production going until the very end as our own monopoly. The opposition of the generals, the Congressional Tories, the big corporate groups, and the whole hate-Russia crowd is the biggest obstacle that any rational plan for atomic energy control must encounter."

Reporting what the Daily Worker pointed out at the time the plan was published, that the Soviet Union would be asked to surrender its control of uranium deposits while we stockpiled atom-bombs, Lerner writes: "Let us, once and for all, face the fact that we cannot win the confidence of the Russians by any methods or procedures which will at the same time buy off the hate-Russia alliance in our own country."

The JOURNAL-AMERICAN believes that UN can never "hope to accomplish anything of MEAN anything WITH Russia as a member." Many an American lad would be rotting in foreign graves if the Soviet Union were NOT WITH us in the war against fascism.

DAILY MIRROR Columnist Winchell gives thinly veiled encouragement to incitement against Soviet Ambassador Gromyko. He admits getting complaints from readers for calling Gromyko names. His reply is that he knows several war vets who intend to do something about UN delegates "if they don't stop taking a walk whenever they feel like it."



# This Is the Story of Lidice

By LEO S. DISHER

PRAGUE, April 4 (UP).—This is the story of the women of Lidice, their men who were shot and their children who vanished.

It was told today by Jarmila Nova, a ruddy peasant woman, in the trial of Karl Herman Frank, Nazi "protector" accused of destroying Lidice.

Spectators wept as the tale unfolded, but Mrs. Nova's eyes were dry. A woman who has lost a husband, father and four brothers to Nazi executioners, has seen a mother ushered into a gas chamber and has worried almost four years about the fate of her daughter, is beyond tears.

Even when a former law student stalked within four feet of Frank and dramatically announced the Nazi was in Lidice when it was burned and pillaged by his murder squads, Mrs. Nova showed no emo-

## WOMAN GIVES EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT IN PRAGUE COURT

tion. "You hit me with a whip and told me I would be shot in the morning," screamed Kune Sonntag, who escaped the mass killings and spent 37 months in a concentration camp.

### CHILD TAKEN AWAY

Sonntag's accusation came after Mrs. Nova told how, on June 12, 1942, she bathed her little daughter Alenka on German orders and sent her away with other children in a bus.

Mrs. Nova and the other women of the martyred village — not knowing they already were widows — believed German promises that they would see their children again in two days.

Four-year-old Alenka boarded the bus and turned once to wave goodbye to her mother.

"I have never heard from her since," Mrs. Nova said.

She wore a shawl over her head. Anguish-painted lines furrowed her face. Her voice spoke unpolished peasant words, but they carried over the sobs of the spectators, who hung on every syllable and all but forgot the man in the dock, staring unemotionally at the floor.

"My husband, my father and four brothers were shot at Lidice," she testified.

### SAW MOTHER GASED

Then, with a flare of anger in her voice, she looked straight at Frank and said:

"On Good Friday, 1944, I saw my 88-year-old mother led into a gas chamber at Ravensbruck." It started when the Nazis de-

cided to retaliate for the shooting of Reinhardt (Hangman) Heydrich, Gestapo boss of Czechoslovakia.

Mrs. Nova described how German police rushed into the little Czech mining village at dawn on June 10, 1942, roughly awakened all the families and shouted orders to dress immediately and come to the schoolhouse.

"The women were separated from the men and taken in trucks with the children to Kladno," she said. "We didn't know what had happened to our menfolk."

### SENT TO PRISON CAMP

"After two days at Kladno, we were told to bathe the children for a trip. The Germans promised us we would see them two days later. We didn't know we would never see them again."

Mrs. Nova testified that she and the other women were sent to a concentration camp without a hint of their families' fate. Not until they were released, in May, 1945—nearly three years later—did they learn their men had been shot and their children scattered to unknown places.

Other testimony established that the men had been lined up and executed shortly after the women were taken to Kladno. Frank himself admitted "seeing bodies around" Lidice during the burning of the village.

Newspapers reported yesterday that the 18th Lidice child of the group carried away in the bus had been found on Rugen Island in the Baltic Sea. She was 10 years old.

That wouldn't be Alenka Nova. Alenka, if alive, would be eight.

## COAL OPERATORS SAY 'TALK WAGES BEFORE WELFARE'

WASHINGTON, April 4 (UP).—Government mediators struggled today to keep UMW President John L. Lewis and the mine operators from walking out of the bogged-down negotiations.

Lewis had asked an adjournment to report complete disagreement to the full union-management wage conference, which would open the way to public discussion of the issues.

The operators, who balked at that proposal, suggested instead a cooling-off recess until next Monday. Finally, it was agreed to meet

again tomorrow.

The first violence reported in the nation-wide strike came in Hopkins County, Ky.

County officials ordered 100 deputies sworn in immediately in the section, a stronghold of the small Progressive Mine Workers Union, an independent which has refused to join the walkout.

Chief stumbling block in the Washington negotiations remained Lewis' insistence that demands for better health and safety provisions be taken up before wages and hours.

## Westinghouse-Rankin Link Hit

The CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers yesterday charged that the Westinghouse Electric Corp. is trying to use the discredited Rankin Committee to confuse the public on the issues in the 80-day-old strike of the company's 75,000 workers.

A statement issued by Albert J. Fitzpatrick, UE-CIO's president, denounced activities of Rankin, Agent Ernie Adamson, now in Pittsburgh, Governor Martin of Pennsylvania, the Hearst press, and the Research Institute of America.

"Particularly in Pittsburgh, but extending throughout the nation," said the UE president, "the discredited use of red-baiting as a means of spreading a smokescreen around the central issues of the strike is being practiced."

### ENEMY OF DEMOCRACY

Describing Adamson as an "open enemy of American democracy," Fitzpatrick cited the recent letter sent by the Rankin Committee agent in which he informed an organization of veterans that "this country was not organized as a democracy."

The Pennsylvania governor has come to the company's assistance by sending state troopers to patrol the main East Pittsburgh plant, said Fitzpatrick.

"The UE-CIO states, however," continued Fitzpatrick, "that these and other reservoirs of red-baiting propaganda merely serve to prove the desperate plight of the Westinghouse Corp."

### FIGHT TO FINISH

Meanwhile, the 25-man executive

board of the UE in session in New York, upon hearing a report on the strike, decided to mobilize the union's entire resources "in a fight to the finish" to win the strike.

The report by Secretary-Treasurer Julius Emspak stressed that every member of the union is vitally interested in preventing any company from receiving a favored position on wage rates.

### ASK SENATE PROBE

At Washington, Senators Myers and Guffey of Pennsylvania asked the Senate's Committee on Labor and Education to conduct an inquiry into the causes of the strike.

Acting on a request of a UE delegation the two Senators asked committee chairman James Murray, for early action.

The committee discussed a resolution offered by Senator Kilgore and four others, for a study of current and threatened labor disputes. Murray suggested that the requested Westinghouse probe might come under that study.

Senator Myers said that an immediate investigation would prove of value for the broader objective of the committee.

"Even if it did nothing else but establish a basis for resuming negotiations between the company and the union, it would be worth while," said Myers. "The situation has dragged on too long."

## 60c MINIMUM WAGE VOTED BY SENATE, 76-6

WASHINGTON, April 4 (UP).—The Senate voted, 76 to 6, tonight to raise the national minimum wage from 40 to 60 cents an hour, and at the same time reaffirmed its adoption of an amendment forcing the Government to consider farm labor costs in computing farm parity prices.

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**O'Dwyer Opens Russian Aid Drive:** At City Hall ceremonies the Mayor Wednesday presented the first medical equipment from people of New York to Capt. Boris Hirshov, Soviet skipper, who will deliver it to USSR. The three soldiers, convalescing at Halloran Hospital, were saved by Russian prisoners who were with them in Nazi prison camps. Left to right: Cpl. Sherman Funk, of Rockaway, N. Y.; Pfc. Ted Adams, of Omaha; Cpl. Fred Gherlier, of Miami. Mayor O'Dwyer, Capt. Hirshov and Newbold Morris, chairman of the Greater New York Committee for Russian Relief. —Daily Worker Photo.

## Rail Unionists Assail Inadequate Pay Award

By OTTO WANGERIN

CHICAGO, April 4.—The 16 cents an hour wage increase awarded here yesterday by two arbitration boards to 1,250,000 railroad workers brought vigorous protests from union leaders and workers as "wholly inadequate." The awards represent an increase of \$1.28 a day. The original demands of the

1,100,000 members of the 15 non-operating unions were for 30 cents an hour or an increase of \$2.40 a day, and \$2.50 a day for 150,000 members of three operating unions. Present rates of the workers involved in the arbitration proceedings range from a minimum of 57 cents an hour to a maximum of \$1.11.

The wage boosts raised the hourly rates of some 400,000 railroad mechanics from \$1.04 to \$1.20 which leaves them still far below rates paid the same class of workers in outside industries. Minimum wage rates will be raised to 73 cents an hour.

### AWARD INADEQUATE

"The award is wholly inadequate to meet the requirements of the situation," declared B. M. Jewell,

chairman of the National Employes Conference Committee.

There is no justification in the world for expecting railroad workers to accept lesser rates of pay than the worker in other industries who are not nearly as essential to the country," Jewell said.

"Railroad workers have absorbed the shocks of three defeats. One in 1941, one in 1943, and this one today. In each case the government has denied to these workers what it has required to be granted to all other workers. The day of reckoning is at hand."

Jewell said the railroad workers actually were entitled to a 46-cent an-hour increase and would file notice, possibly this week for a further wage increase, after a conference with heads of the non-operating groups.

Both Felix Knight and E. E. Millman, representing the non-operating unions on the arbitration board, issued a statement saying that a correction of the inequities "on even the lowest possible basis reconcilable with the evidence" would require an increase of 11½ cents an hour for the rise in living costs, plus 18½ cents, the "clearly established prevailing national measure of postwar increases."

Carl J. Goff, representing the unions on the board hearing the cases of the three operating trades, expressed a similar view, stating the increase did not meet the increased cost of living and did not correct wage inequities existing between railroad workers and employees in other industries.